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RUSS TROOPS AGAIN CROSS CARPATHIANS

DRIVE AUSTRIANS OUT OF THE GREATER PART OF GALICIA

New Years Finds Belligerents Fighting as Sternly as at Beginning, but Seemingly Without Prospects of Immediate Big Victories.

London, Dec. 31.—(10:55 p. m.)—The New Year finds belligerent Europe after five months war fighting as sternly as at the beginning, but seemingly without prospects of immediate big victories which the combatants have set as their task.

The Austrians have again been driven out of the greater part of Galicia and according to a Vienna statement the Russians have crossed the Carpathians for the third time but in Poland where the more important battle is in progress the armies of the Russian and German emperors are still fighting for the banks of the rivers which intersect the country between the upper Vistula and Pilica rivers.

In Flanders and France there has been a lull in the fighting on most of the front, disturbed occasionally however, by artillery fire, infantry attacks and counter attacks. The French tonight announce that they have carried half of the village of Steinbach in upper Alsace which, while of little or no importance itself, stands at the foot of a hill which commands a large part of the surrounding country. It is this region as in the vicinity of Noyon and between the Argonne ridge and the Meuse that the French have been pushing their offensive with the greatest force and where they claim to have made the best progress.

Along the Belgian coast the fighting is confined to artillery bombardments. Westende and many other little towns which long ago were deserted by the civilian populations have been made the target for shells of the allies.

Walfish a British possession on the coast of German Southwest Africa which the Germans took at the commencement of the war, has been retaken by the Union of South Africa forces, while the Australians have annexed Bougainville Island, another of the Solomon Islands over which flew the German flag and about the last of the German islands in the Pacific. In London New Year's Eve was celebrated by the usual dinners and dances at hotels and restaurants but with less gaiety and on a much smaller scale.

At the larger hotels, however, there was a large attendance of officers on leave or waiting to go to the front, many French and Belgians who were driven from their homes by the war and a considerable sprinkling of Americans. The list of New Year's honors offered by King George on the recommendation of the premier and the foreign and colonial officials was very short and contained no new peerages. At the head of the list are the Earls of Derby and Chesterfield, who get the Order of the Garter for their services in recruiting and Baron Lovat who receives the Order of the Thistle for the same reason.

The Earl of Aberdeen whose retirement from the Lord Lieutenancy of Ireland is expected, is raised to the rank of Marquisate.

GERMANS CLAIM CAPTURE OF 36,000 RUSSIANS THURSDAY

LONDON, Jan. 1—(12:50 a. m.)—The following official communication from Berlin has been received here by wireless:

"Since the war began and up till the end of the year we still stand firm on the old German watch, waiting what the future has in store for us.

"We are still united. No enemy can force us in spite of rage and hyprocrisy.

"In the east as well as the west may victory ever attend you. Germany over all! The whole world learns what we can do when we are attacked and that German pluck rings throughout the world.

"Main headquarters reports tonight (Thursday) that our troops fighting in Poland have made over 36,000 prisoners in the region of Lodz and Lowicz and besides have taken many guns.

"The total number of prisoners taken since the eleventh of November amounts to 136,000. Over 100 guns and 300 machine guns also have been captured."

STRAPHANGERS HEARING SET.

Hearing of Chicago Railways is Set For January 11th.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 31.—The state public utilities commission has set for hearing at 10 o'clock Monday, January 11th, at the Chicago offices of the board the complaint of the Chicago realty board against the Chicago City Railway and the Chicago Railways company of poor service.

WARSHIPS TO CONVOY ALL MERCHANTMEN

Petrograd, Dec. 31.—The Novoe Vremya's Helsingfors correspondent says that at the recent conference at Malma between the Scandinavian kings it was decided to consign warships to convoy Scandinavian merchantmen in order to prevent their detention by belligerents.

ADVOCATES RETENTION OF PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

Witness Before Senate Committee Believes Islands Should be Retained for Purpose of Naval Strategy in Event of War.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Retention of the Philippine Islands by the United States for purposes of naval strategy in event of war with a foreign nation, such as Japan, was advocated today by Dean C. Worcester, testifying before the senate Philippine committee on the bill to enlarge Philippine self-government.

Mr. Worcester formerly was secretary of the interior in the Philippines and was identified for many years with the Philippine government. In addition to his discussion of the military importance of the islands, Mr. Worcester told the committee he had private despatches that the present disturbance in the islands was insignificant in accomplishments, but dangerous owing to the agitation of the lower classes. He said peonage was the greatest practical evil on the islands and that slavery still existed. He urged the committee not to attempt by force to eradicate polygamy from among the Moros, but to allow it to die out as the result of friendly teaching.

Finally Mr. Worcester pleaded with the committee to save the non-Christian tribes from extermination by the Filipinos, which, he said, would be threatened if local self-government was granted and urged that the bill be amended by providing for a lieutenant governor for the non-Christian tribes to be appointed by the president and to have the power to annul legislation touching these tribes. The statements regarding the strategical importance of the islands followed the remark by Chairman Hitchcock that some persons advocated American withdrawal from the islands, without regard to the interest of the Philippines in order to avoid the possibility of involving the United States in war.

Mr. Worcester declared it was idle to deny that Japan could land an armed force in the islands and that it would be impossible to prevent very long the fall of Manila. The gaining of the control of the Bay of Manila, however, he urged, would be a far different matter and so strongly fortified was Corregidor that this naval base should be able to hold out a year before being taken.

"We need a naval station in the Far East," continued Mr. Worcester, "not only to protect our shores but to carry a war into the land of the enemy and require it to keep its fleet in its own waters. Until we were swept off the ocean we must have a station in the east."

Concluding, he said if the Filipinos who are now afraid to utter their true belief as to independence had been face to face with the United States withdrawing from the Islands or remaining, "the fate of Beigium would influence them to implore this nation to remain."

DECORATE JASON "SKIPPER" WITH THE RED CROSS BADGE OF HONOR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Foreign office despatches from Vienna to the Austro-Hungarian emtassy here today announced that Lieut. Commander Charles E. Curtney, commanding the American naval collier Jason, the "Santa Claus ship" and United States consul general Jones at Genoa, had been decorated with the Red Cross badge of honor first class.

The dispatches confirmed today's war office announcements from the battle lines and added a denial of reports of large numbers of Austria-Hungarians falling into the hands of the Russians.

"Especially the number of officers," the foreign office said, "is immeasurably exaggerated."

TRANSFER OF NEW YORK YANKS IS AT LAST CONSUMMATED

Col. Ruppert and T. L. Huston Formally Purchase the N. Y. American League Club.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—President B. B. Johnson announced this afternoon that Col. Jacob Ruppert and T. L. Huston had formally purchased the New York American League baseball club. The terms were not announced.

"Wild Bill" Donovan is to be the manager of the new club.

The new officers of the club will be President, Jacob Ruppert; Secretary and treasurer, T. L. Huston.

Neither the new owners nor Frank J. Farrell, the former executive would announce in detail the terms under which the deal for the transfer of the stock was made.

It is understood, however, that the transfer of several players from other clubs to the New York Yankees is involved.

ARREST ALLEGED FORGER.

Danville Police Capture F. M. May, A Suspected Forger.

Danville, Ills., Dec. 31—In the arrest of F. M. May, alias Thomas Jones, etc., the local police believe they have brought to book a forger who has operated extensively throughout the middle-west.

Upon his person was found sixty blank postal money orders, a "money order business" stamp from the Keifer, Okla. postoffice, and two money orders made out for $62 each, also a letter of identification thought to have been written himself.

EUROPEAN WAR IS COSTLY TO THE U. S.

UP TO DECEMBER FIRST EXPORTS DECREASED $382,831,172

November However, Shows Gain in Crude and Manufactured Food Stuffs Sent Abroad, the Total Exports Being $73,049,036.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The war in Europe had cost the United States $382,831,172 in decreased exports up to December 1st, according to a statement issued today by the department of commerce. Exports to all countries from the eleven month period ending with November aggregated $1,867,991,492 against $2,250,822,664 for the like period in 1913. Despite this showing, however, the November trade balance in favor of the United States was $79,411,271 and for the eleven months period $193,372,036.

The November increase showed its greatest gain in the crude and manufactured food stuffs sent to Europe, the total being $73,049,036 against $38,787,688 in 1913.

The most striking demonstration of the effect of the war shown by the statement is the decrease of Germany's $48,072,784 consumption in November, 1913 to $42,136 in November this year. For Belgium the decrease was from $3,999,169 in 1913 to $121,816 this year.

Imports from Germany did not show the same result. In 1913 the United States bought $14,256,993 during November in the German markets and in 1914, $11,920,680 during the same month.

During the eleven month period German imports fell from $165,939,267 in 1913 to $140,708,938 this year, while exports to Germany decreased from $318,720,256 to $156,100,951.

Exports to all countries except Australia, France, India, the United Kingdom and Italy fell off during November from 1913 figures and for the eleven month period only Australia, Italy and Russia increased their American purchases. While the United Kingdom was the largest customer, taking $69,589,297 in American goods during November and $515,645,990 during the eleven month period, the later figure shows a decrease of approximately $11,000,000 from the 1913 total. Italy showed the greatest increase in November, taking $17,031,754 last month against $7,771,113 in November, 1913.

In the grand geographical divisions of export commerce the figures show clearly the effect of the war. To Europe the United States sent substantially increased shipments throughout the eleven months the figures being $1,342,905,152 in 1913 and $1,148,791,535 in 1914.

To all other divisions there was a marked decrease, North America falling from $559,887,350 to $449,986,804; South America from $134,668,603 to $85,641,502; Asia from $113,256,227 to $88,616, 737; Oceania from $73,966,351 to $71,322,168 and Africa from $26,139,481 to $23,632,746.

LABOR LEADER ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF MURDER

Allen Russell of Willisville, Illinois Placed in Jail at Chester.

Chester, Ills., Dec. 31—Allen Russell, labor leader of Willisville, Illinois, who was arrested in Henrietta, Okla. on a charge of murder in connection with the lynching of Albert Piazza by a mob of coal miners near Willisville, October 12th, was placed in jail here today. Four others are held here under a similar charge.

Edward Biesner, an alderman of Willisville, one of the prisoners, is endeavoring to obtain his release on bond through habeas corpus proceedings. The case will be argued before Judge Crow next Monday.

The lynching of Piazza, an Italian miner, followed by a day, general fight between American and Italian miners in which two Americans and a brother of Piazza were killed.

The Italian consul at Springfield was instrumental in bringing about a grand jury investigation of the lynching.

PHELAN WILL PLAY.

In Better Shape Artie Will Play Second For Cubs in 1915.

Chicago, Dec. 31—Artie Phelan who warmed the bench in Cub Park last season, will play second base the coming summer, it was announced by President Thomas and Manager Bresnahan. Thomas displayed a letter from Phelan in which the erstwhile bench warmer announced that the trouble that had bothered him last year had disappeared.

FOREGO USUAL CUSTOM.

War Prevents New Years Greetings From U. S. to Other Countries.

Washington, Dec. 31—New Year's greetings from the United States to all the World did not circle the globe tonight as has been the custom for many years because the land telegraph and cable systems are in a disorganized condition because of the European war. The navy department by pre-arrangement, formerly has flashed the time around the world in a few seconds.

War News Summarized

Sanguinary fighting continues in that broad reach of territory between the Vistula and Pilica rivers in Poland where the Germans are endeavoring to push through their objective, the Polish capital and everywhere are being met with stern resistance by the Muscovite forces.

Germany merely says of the contest here that her offensive has made progress in the district of the Rawka river but that in the other regions the situation is unchanged. Petrograd has made no report.

Farther south, in Galicia and up in the Carpathian passes the Russians seemingly hold their reported advantage over the Austrians.

In the west in Belgium and in France the fighting is mainly between the artillery arms of the belligerent forces with here and there, however, infantry attacks and counter attacks.

No important victories are claimed by either side, although at various points each claims slight gains of ground of repulses of attacks.

Berlin, as a New Year greeting issued an official communication in which it was stated that the country still stood firm "on the old German watch, waiting what the future has in store for us."

It added that the country was united and that no enemy could gain an advantage over it "in spite of rage and hyprocrisy."

The American government's note of protest against delays to its commerce through the methods of British warships in searching vessels, has been made public in London. Opinion still inclines to the belief that the difficulty will be amicably adjusted.

Berlin reports that over thirty British and French warships are bombarding Pola and Rovigno, Austrian ports on the Adriatic.

The South African government will commandeer men for service in the field in order effectually to put down a recrudescence of the rebel movement led by Lieut. Col. Maritz.

The Danish Steamer M. C. Holm, loaded with cotton from the United States for Sweden has been sunk by a mine in the North Sea off the coast of England. Her crew was rescued.

The Greek premier in a speech to parliament said the Greek army is ready to mobilize at any hour "on every point of her territory.

Reports from Athens say the Turks have sent important forces commanded by German officers toward Suez.

Emperor Francis Joseph in a New Year's rescript to the Austro-Hungarian forces expresses confidence that on land and sea his warriors, "will emerge with honors" from the war.

PRESIDENT OF SEARS, ROEBUCK CO. IS INDICTED BY GRAND JURY

Julius Rosenwald Indicted for Failure to File Personal Property Schedule Subject to Tax.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—Julius Rosenwald, multi-millionaire president of Sears, Roebuck & Co., was indicted today by a special grand jury investigating tax frauds, for failure to file a personal property schedule. Mr. Rosenwald admitted the charge, which he said was not criminal and in a statement criticising the tax laws of the state said he acted on the advice of his attorney.

Indictments were returned against three other wealthy men who are accused of filing false and fraudulent schedules.

"The Illinois tax law is the worst in the world, I believe," Mr. Rosenwald asserted in a statement after the indictment had been returned.

"The law is confiscatory It would deprive every wealthy man of his fortune. It is unfair, illogical and irrational. Every business man knows its strict enforcement would wreck business concerns from one end of the state to the other. It is one of the laws which cannot be enforced because they are ill considered and destructive. I believe the state'ps attorney realizes the necessity for the reconstruction of the tax laws of Illinois."

Mr. Rosenwald said his feelings would have been better conserved if he had been made aware that an attack on him was contemplated but was confident that most business men understood the situation.

State's Attorney Hoyne asserted his crusade against tax dodgers was not aimed at any individual or corporation.

"Our effort is to abolish, or at least correct, evil conditions which have prevailed in Cook county for twenty years," he asserted. "If all officials and private citizens guilty of an infraction of the revenue law were to be indicted they could be counted by tens of thousands. The state's attorney has not presented evidence against any individual for failure to file a schedule unless he was warned."

An indictment against Jacob and John Hadesman, wholesale grocers, alleges their personal property is worth $30,000 but they scheduled only $200 worth.

CHICAGO GIVES GAY WELCOME TO 1915

TWENTY THOUSAND PEOPLE REVEL IN DOWN TOWN HOTELS

Final Feast of 1914 Cost Downtown Celebrators $250,000 — Wine Flows Freely—New York City Welcomes New Year in Traditional Manner.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—Chicago's welcome to 1915 was the gayest of recent years. In the down town hotels twenty thousand persons revelled with little restraint. A character representing "hard times" who invaded the festivities at one large hall a few minutes before midnight met with rought but good natured handling during his ejection and the guests turned to welcome the entrance of the New Year, a picture of prosperity.

The final feast of 1914 cost downtown celebrators $250,000 it was estimated. Wine flowed freely and guests decked out in souvenirs one-stepped and turkey-trotted until three in the morning.

The downtown streets were thronged with merrymakers but 200 policemen scattered along six blocks on State street, easily maintained order. At one corner workers of the midnight mission gathered about a brilliantly illuminated cross and held services amid the revellery.

Several of the churches permitted dancing at their entertainments which were patterened after the cabarets.

Four municipal dance halls were filled to capacity and held their crowds until three a. m., in competition to dances where liquor was sold.

New York Gives Traditional Welcome

New York, Dec. 31.—New York city welcomed the New Year in traditional manner, the celebration proving one of the most demonstrative on record here.

The uptown streets where the celebrators usually gather were jammed with laughing, singing crowds, unusually large even for this event of events in the city's calendar.

The tens of thousands were so orderly in these merry makings however, that the police reserve found little to do except keep the throngs moving. Here and there the never ending procession stopped, perhaps to look all the latest war bulletins but it was not for long. The war did not rest heavily on the minds of New York celebrates tonight. Cafes restaurants and hotels, many of which were permitted to remain open all night were jammed with merry makers.

Electrical illuminations throughout the city worked overtime and many of the great buildings were especially lighted. The municipal Christmas trees had been left in place and their many colored lights drew crowds which were entertained in some cases with moving pictures and band concerts.

Even the water front added its share to the celebration for hundreds of steam whistles on craft in both rivers were opened wide at midnight to swell the babble on land.

DISCUSS HOW SCIENCE CAN RENEW THE HUMAN BY EUGENICS

Members of Association for the Advancement of Science Consider the Subject at Annual Meeting in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Dec. 31. — How science can renew the human by eugenics was teh principal subject of discussion by the members of the American association for the advancement of science at today's sessions of the annual convention of that body.

"It is a question whether the human race as a whole has greatly improved since the Old Stone Age, 125,000 years ago. The brain capacity of the man of that period compares very well with that of modern man," declared Dr. Henry F. Osborn, president of the American Museum of Natural History, who spoke at a session of the American Society of Zoologists. "The elevation of the moral sense through knowledge," he added, "is the greatest contribution made by the science of biology.

"We must make our appeal to the higher moral sense to prevent the bringing of defectives into the world."

Dr. G. H. Parker of Harvard advocated the sterilization of all defectives which he declared are steadily increasing.

Dr. Charles P. Davenport of New York said the progress of the science of eugenics has been retarded by the fear of making family skeletons public.

"No family should be afraid to keep records of the physical and mental traits of each of its members for in this way alone can the race be bettered," he declared. "School teachers should be given information about the family and racial characteristics of each of their pupils, for different instruction for each child is necessary to bring it to its fullest development."

Prof. Stuart Paton of Princeton declared:

"We ought to build a national 'brain institute' for the study of the most important part of the body—the brain."

LONDON TIMES WELCOMES TEST OF AMERICAN NOTE

Newspaper Asserts Note Displays Entire Justice and Friendliness in Protest.

London, Jan. 1—(1:45 a. m.)—The Times in an editorial welcomes the test of the American note protesting against detention of American commerce by British warships which, it says, displays entire justice and friendliness.

"The president and his colleagues", the Times says, "have been at pains to insist in several passages of the note that they do not advance their claims in any spirit of hospitality to us, from any lack of appreciation of the momentous nature of the conflict in which we are engaged or from any wish to gain undue commercial advantage at our expense. We accept these assurances fully and gladly. They are what we should have expected from a great and friendly nation."

The Times then refers to the note which complains that the British policy towards neutral ships exceeds the manifest necessity of belligerents and which concludes "not justified by the rules of international law or required under the principle of self preservation."

"These last words", says the Times, "are significant and we shall be surprised if the issue is not joined upon them in the British reply.

"Americans cannot doubt that the war is in the highest degree a war for self-preservation on our part and we shall doubtless urge that, broadly speaking, and with possible exceptions in individual cases the interference with neutral commerce which we have practiced comes within the terms of this recognized limitation of general neutral rights."

Proceeding to give figures of what it claims is an enormous increase in American shipments of copper to neutral countries in September and October as compared with the same months last year, the Times asks:

"Does not this fact create a reasonable presumption that much of this copper was at one time being smuggled into Germany and Austria? Is it not a manifest necessity of self preservation that we should reserve to ourselves the right of scrutinizing closely such exports?"

The Times says it feels confident that the British government will reply promptly to all the grievances and that since all idea of inducing England radically to change her policy is disclaimed and the president himself has recognized that the difficulties have arisen largely through false manifests by American shippers and the smuggling of contraband articles hidden in cargoes, the path of diplomacy ought to be fairly smooth.

WANT "GERMANY" SCHAEFER TO MANAGE PEORIA THREE-EYE CLUB

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—F. Bernie Smith, secretary of the Peoria Three Eye league club, who was in New York today announced that the club had made offers to Herman (Germany) Schaefer, late of the Washington club, to manage the Peoria team next season. Clarence Henry Rowland, the new manager of Charles A. Comiskey's Chicago White Sox was in charge of the Peoria club last season.

Schaefer, according to Smith, is expected to confer with the Peoria club's owners in the near future.

STOP MAIL DELIVERY.

Champaign, Ills., Dec. 31.—Delivery of mail in Champaign will cease tomorrow because residents failed to place numbers on their homes. The order of the postoffice department states delivery will be resumed when 75 per cent of the houses are correctly numbered.

Meanwhile all residents must call at the post office for their mail.

ACCEPTS NEW YORK LOAN.

Buenos Aires, Dec. 31—The government has accepted the offer of the National City Bank of New York for a loan of $15,000,000 at 96 1-2. The notes will bear interest at six per cent. The money is for the use of the public works and health departments.

DEFEAT TORRES FORCES.

Vera Cruz, Dec. 31—The forces under General Carrera Torres have been defeated by troops under General Pablo Gonzalez at Rodriguez, 65 miles west of Tampico, on the railway line to San Luis Potosi. This is the official announcement given out at General Carranza's headquarters tonight.

The Weather

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Illinois—Cloudy and warmer Friday; Saturday fair.

Temperatures.

The current, maximum and minimum temperatures recorded Thursday:

Jacksonville	22	26	1
Boston	26	28	24
Buffalo	18	22	16
New York	26	30	26
New Orleans	48	50	36
Chicago	20	20	
Detroit	12	18	10
Omaha	26	30	
St. Paul	14	20	14
Helena	42	46	26
San Francisco	48	54	44
Winnipeg	16	16	20

MOTION TO ELIMINATE LITERACY TEST DEFEATED

SENATOR MARTINE'S MOTION IS VOTED DOWN 47 TO 12

Ballot Was Considered a Test Vote on the Much Debated Provision in the Pending Immigration Bill.—Two Amendments Are Adopted.

Washington, Dec. 31—Efforts to strike the much debated literacy test from the pending immigration bill failed in the senate today Senator Martine's motion to eliminate the provision being defeated 47 to 12. This was considered a test vote on the bill itself, which senate leaders expect to pass Saturday.

Amendments to the bill were voted upon in quick succession during the last hour of today's session. Two were adopted, one to exclude from American shores in future all immigrants of African blood or the black race and another to strengthen the prohibition against believers in polygamy.

An amendment by Senator Reed to exclude all but persons of the Caucasian race was defeated but not until after it had occasioned considerable discussion relating to the Japanese. Many senators declared that it would affect treaty relations.

"Of course the amendment will include the Japanese in its effect," said Senator Reed, "but if there is any difficulty about the treaty I will co-operate in a further amendment to postpone the operation of this clause until treaties may be changed. This bill as now drawn violates the spirit if not the letter of our treaties. We prefer to do by indirection that which we have not the courage to do by direction. We proposed to pass an exclusion bill but to do it, not as an exclusion bill, but by means of an educational test."

The vote against the amendment was 47 to 9.

Spirited debate arose when Senator Reed moved to substitute in the exclusion section for the words "those who admit their belief in the practice of polygamy" the words "those who believe in, advocate or practice polygamy."

Senator Smoot of Utah, declared that the Mormon church had abolished the practice of polygamy since 1900 and that President Smith of the Mormon church had publicly re-affirmed this at a meeting of the church in 1904.

EDITOR OF PHILADELPHIA PUBLIC LEDGER RESIGNS

George W. Ochs May Join the New York Times Company.

Philadelphia, Dec. 31—Announcement was made tonight of the resignation of George W. Ochs, as editor of the Public Ledger. He retains a considerable holding, the underlying securities of the newspaper. Mr. Ochs has not determined as to his future activities but may join the New York Times company of which he is a director.

He is a brother of Adolph S. Ochs, president of the Times.

In the formal announcement which the Public Ledger will publish tomorrow Cyrus H. K. Curtis, president of the Public Ledger company, states the resignation is due to "an entirely amicable but irreconcilable difference of views" between himself and Mr. Ochs as to the publication of the paper and that he accepted the resignation with much regret.

SEND FORCES TO SUEZ.

Turk Troops Commanded by Germans Tare Artillery and Pontoons.

Paris, Dec. 31.—(11:50 p. m.)—A despatch to the Havas Agency from Athens says:

"The Turks have sent important forces commanded by German officers, with artillery drawn by oxen and pontoon sections toward Suez, according to members of the French clergy and nuns from Syria who have arrived here.

"Subjects of the triple entente powers in Jerusalem they say, were subjected only to police surveillance until the report of the bombardment of Alexandria was received when they were all imprisoned. The Turkish officials desired to secure the records of the French consulate but desisted against the attitude of the Spanish consul who threatened to ask for his passports if they did so.

IS READY TO MOBILIZE.

Greek Premier Says all Necessary Measures to Assure National Defense Have Been Taken.

Paris, Dec. 31.—(11:55 p. m.)—The Havas correspondent at Athens sends the following excerpt from a speech delivered by the Greek premier, M. Venizelos, during a discussion of the budget in the Greek chamber of deputies:

"All the necssary measures to assure the national defence have been taken since the outbreak of the war. I can again assure the chamber and the country that at the present moment Greece is ready to mobilize at any hour and on every point of her territory all the contingents of her army."

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BEREA.

The January Aid will be with Mrs. Harrison Robinson Thursday, Jan. 7th.

W. H. Kern will minister to the people of Berea church the coming year, taking up the work the first of the year, preaching on Sunday, Jan. 10.

Geo. E. Deweese entertained at his home Tuesday evening in honor of J. B. Swain of Iowa, M. L. Robinson, Harrison Robinson, W. W. Robertson, C. H. Swain and J. B. Swain.

Mrs. Catherine Swain of Jacksonville came to make her home with her son, C. H. Swain and family, last week.

J. B. Swain of Iowa, who as called here by the death of his sister, Miss Nettie Swain, of Jacksonville, has returned to his home.

"PRETTIEST DIVORCEE" WEDS.

New York, Dec. 31.—Today is the wedding day of New York's "prettiest divorcee," Mrs. Blanche Velerie Wolff Berus, who, unless her plans go awry, will become the bride of Matthew Hanson of Grand Rapids, Mich. Mrs. Berus made the announcement several weeks ago, and selected the Rev. Dr. Eisman to perform the ceremony. She has chosen for her attendants her sister, Miss Hortense Wolff, her cousin, Miss Emily Wolff, Miss Hulda Hanson and Mrs. R. V. Scheyer. The best man is to be J. A. Sheyer of Chicago.

The announcement of the wedding plans brought forth varying stories of the newest love affair of the "prettiest divorcee." Mr. Hanson, although admitting she was "the prettiest girl in New York," denied she is a divorcee or was ever married. His bride-to-be, however, stated to the newspaper men: "I want it made clear that I did not even know Mr. Hanson at the time of my divorce. I had hoped that this announcement might not become public until after the wedding. I am only 23. The marriage will take place on New Year's eve at my father's home here. I am going to have a real wedding this time. Yes, my former marriage was an elopement, but this time everything is vastly different." Mr. Hanson has presented me a beautiful home on Vine street in Grand Rapids, as a wedding gift. We are to spend our honeymoon at Palm Beach, where he has a bungalow."

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FESTIVITIES OF OLD JACKSONVILLE

NEW YEAR'S DAY IN FORMER TIMES.

Mr. Ensley Moore Writes of Early Customs of City Life Including Well Known Families—Receptions Were of a Brilliant Character.

When the Journal man asked me to write regarding the old time social festivities on New Year's day, it seemed surprising that he did not know about them—albeit he is not so very old—but I did not realize that the old custom had stopped so long ago. The endeavor will be made in what is here written, to state but the facts, as near as a modern newspaper would demand them.

The custom of ladies' receiving gentlemen on the first day of the year in America, is said to have originated among the Knickerbockers of New York City, but it probably obtained in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and old Virginia; quite likely also in South Carolina.

I doubt whether it was observed in Jacksonville before 1859; surely I do not remember it before that date. It is to be remembered that social observances and festal enjoyments were much more common till after the war than now.

Before the War.

In 1859 for some reason the ladies of Jacksonville generally determined to observe the day in becoming spirit. With such old families as Joshua Moore, E. M. M. Clark, next door, the Goltras, Judge William Brown, M. P. Ayers, Mrs. Gov. Duncan, Prof. Turner, Dr. Samuel Adams, David A. Smith, Dr. Andrew Russel, F. E. Dayton, J. W. Lathrop, H. B. McClure, David Robb, now "Kilmarnock"—Rev. L. M. Glover, Dr. Gaddis, Prof. W. D. Sanders, T. D. Eames, J. B. Flack, Col. James Dunlap, perhaps at "Fairview"—the Mathers, Dr. Long, Mr. Brown, opposite the Blind; Dr. Joshua Rhoades at the Blind, Mr. Andrew McFarland at the Insane, and Dr. P. G. Gillett, at the Illinois Institution for the Education of the Deaf, returning down West State street, Col. William B. Warren, and Charles H. Hardin, are the names now recalled as those receiving on that day. There were others no doubt, not now recalled, and no disrespect is intended to them.

Events Were Elaborate.

Society events of that time were characterized by a much more abundant layout than at present, since the fad of afternoon teas has come in. At many places hot or cold turkey, oysters, chicken salad, some sort of bread, plenty of cake, ice cream, lemonade and coffee were served. There were places where it was said some very old fashioned and exhilerating liquids were served, but this was the exception and not the rule. While some southerners did this, the Yankees frowned against it. For it is to be remembered that up to the time of the war, Jacksonville was a place of something over five thousand people, pretty nearly evenly divided between Yankees and Southerners. Of course there were some middle-state people, and some English, Irish and Scotch. The town never had many Germans, the only compartively large foreign element being the Portuguese.

It was related during the war that one young gentleman who had exhilerated somewhere, attempted to be witty at the expense of a venerable and clever gentleman. The result was that he got a fine Irish response which was too [illegible] keep and the story subsequently leaked out.

Hospitable Homes.

In those days the grand house of the town was Mrs. Gov. Duncan's where her daughter, Miss Julia S. Duncan, assisted in entertaining.

Dr. Samuel Adams' home was another open to friends, his daughter, Miss Marietta leading. Mrs. M. P. Ayers was always one of the kindliest of hostesses.

Another fine old house with gracious ladies was that of Dr. Andrew Russel, now occupied by his grandson, another Andrew. Mrs. Russel, assisted by her daughter, Miss Elizabeth, being an old country woman, was one of the mort elegant entertainers of the town. This habit was seen not only on the first of January, but throughout the year, when callers were received; cake and other refreshments were offered the guests.

Prof. Rufus Nutting on West College avenue, had a wife who enjoyed social entertaining.

The home of Mr. W. N. Ross was one of the hospitable places. Mrs. Anna Ross Dewey was then one of the prettiest girls in the city.

Mrs. I. L. Morrison on Grove street was another lady who with her sister, Miss Tucker, were from the east, and entertained elegantly.

Dr. Henry Jones, on West College avenue, had a lot of girls and kept "open house."

The Robbs then lived at the place latterly called "Kilmarnock", and they had several pretty daughters. As may be imagined, the big and little flies sought the sweets.

Another notable house with beautiful girls was Col. William B. Warren's, where State Street Church now is. The young fellows got there in plenty on New Year's Day, as well as many another day during the year.

Receptions were also held in those days at the Jacksonville Academy and the Illinois Female college. There the ladies of the principals' families were assisted by teachers and sometimes by pupils.

Dr. Owen M. Long had a very pretty daughter and handsome wife. They kept open house in their large place on the north side of East Court street.

Miss Brown, opposite the Blind, was a handsome young lady who enjoyed society and received on such occasions. She afterwards became the wife of the Hon. J. F. McMillan. She belonged to the somewhat extensive family of Browns of which William Thomas now of Sandusky street, is a representative.

Custom Runs Out.

In later years various other families took part in these festivities, and later on the ladies got to bunching up, a large number of them meeting at one house. This custom probably broke up the whole system. For many younger and older men wished to express their personal regards and respects to persons of their own acquaintance, and did not care to talk light frivolities to people they were not interested in. From that time on, the whole custom of New Year's social reception seems to have run out. It is difficult to say just when that was. Probably the last of it was about 1885.

Many gentlemen attended these receptions one by one, sometimes two or three together. In one case a string of fellows about as long as an anaconda, used to wind into the parlors single file. One year they had photographs taken of the whole bunch, then Peter Newell, now the well known artist, a young man here, charicatured this photograph. The charicature was then photographed and mounted on a long card. When the party appeared at a residence, they would file into the reception room, and the leader, whose name was written in fine business college script on the back of the card, with the names of the others, presented one or more of the cards to the ladies present. It was quite an affecting proceeding, and those cards are now valued as souvenirs.

In its early day and spirit and intent the custom was delightful alike to callers and to ladies, but after the "Goths and Vandals" rushed in, the custom was knocked out. By this last sentence it is meant that any and everybody, so to speak, whether acquainted or not, called, and the pleasant feature of the occasion was lost.

Ensley Moore.

MATRIMONIAL

York-Taylor.

Perry York and Miss Marie Taylor were married at 6 o'clock Wednesday evening by the Rev. W. W. Theobald at the Brooklyn church parsonage and both left Thursday forenoon for Kansas City to make their home. Bride and groom have been attendants at the Jacksonville State hospital, the former residing here three years and Mr. York, two years. They came to Jacksonville from the southern part of the state.

Nieman-Wood.

Miss Ruth Ellen Wood and Oscar Frederick Nieman were married Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock by the Rev. B. Garcen at his home in Arenzville. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wood and Mrs. M. M. Weeks witnessed the ceremony. The groom is a son of J. H. Nieman and the bride is a daughter of Eli Wood. They will be at home to their friends in Beardstown at a residence prepared by the groom on West Second street.

Hamm-Seymour.

Mrs. Lois E. Seymour of this city and Albert Hamm of Marrietta, Fulton county, were married Thursday in Springfield, the Rev. F. H. Bowyer performing the ceremony at Central Baptist church parsonage. The bride has made this city her home several years, residing at 221 South East street, where she was also engaged in the dressmaking business. The groom is a well-to-do farmer of Fulton county and accompanied the bride to Springfield Thursday forenoon. After a visit of several days in Peoria Mr. and Mrs. Hamm will go to their home near Marrietta.

JUDGE AND MRS. F. E. BALDWIN QUIT CITY.

Judge and Mrs. F. E. Baldwin will leave this morning for Carlinville for a brief visit, going thence to Chicago to make their home. For many years they have been residents of Jacksonville and many friends will unite in expressing regret at their departure. In Carlinville they will be guests of Mrs. Baldwin's father, A. H. Bell. Mr. Baldwin will remain for the day only, his wife and daughter staying for a visit of several days. In Chicago the judge has a position as assistant consul for Swift & Co.

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NEW YEAR'S REVELS IN NEW YORK

New York, Dec. 31.—New York will hold its usual round of revels tonight to usher in the new year. All of the cafes and hotels are besieged for reservations, and plans for gayety extend from one end to the other of the Great White Way. New features, new ideas in decorations, and the usual wine, woman and song wil make the night as usual the most brilliant of the year.

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Chicago, Dec. 31.—Safe and sane is the rule which Mayor Harrison plans to enforce for the New Year's revel. All noisemakers are barred from the streets, and the sale of liquor is barred after 1 a. m. Five dances will be run by the municipal government, to rival the usual rough and tumble affairs. Mrs. Leonora E. Meder, superintendent of the department of public welfare, will furnish extra programmes for the municipal dances, including vaudeville and professional singers.

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CITY AND COUNTY

Miss Mary Wheeling has gone to Peoria to visit with relatives.

W. E. Mann is at home after a business trip in Pike county.

Mrs. Nixon of Springfield is the guest of Miss Ruth Brown.

Walter Hines was a visitor in the city yesterday from Alexander.

Miss Lela Baber of Meredosia was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Miss Verna Lewis was a visitor in the city yesterday from Chapin.

F. H. Jewsbury of Markham was trading in the city yesterday.

Arthur Smith of Alexander was in the city on business yesterday.

J. W. Fitzpatrick of Lynnville was a visitor in the city Thursday.

John Johnson of Joy Prairie was a visitor in Jacksonville Thursday.

Reuel Crum of Virginia was calling on friends in the city Thursday.

Miss Pauline Hankins is spending a few days with friends in Decatur.

Miss Bertha Williams was a visitor in the city yesterday from Chapin.

Mrs. K. V. Beerup of Alexander was a shopper in the city yesterday.

Felix Gordon of Murrayville was among the Thursday visitors in the city.

Mrs. M. E. Killam of Bluffs was among the Thursday shoppers in the city.

Mrs. W. A. Wainwright of Danville is visiting with friends in Jacksonville.

John W. Leach of the Mound Road was in the city on business Thursday.

Willard Young was among the city visitors from Literberry yesterday.

Thomas Lacey was a city visitor yesterday from the neighborhood of Sinclair.

John B. Connor of Mt. Sterling was transacting business in the city Friday.

John Roundtree of Franklin was a Thursday business caller in Jacksonville.

Mrs. Harry Strang of Murrayville was among the Thursday visitors in the city.

Dr. J. M .Swoope of Arenzville was a professional visitor in Jacksonville yesterday.

Wallace Tuttle of Meredosia was among the visitors in Jacksonville Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Guyton have returned to their home in Aurora after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Haley, Hardin avenue.

O. C. Coultas of Winchester was a business caller in Jacksonville yesterday.

Mrs. K. C. Schroll of Meredosia was among the shoppers in the city Thursday.

Miss Irene O'Connell of Murrayville was a Thursday caller in Jacksonville.

Patrick Shanahan of the Buckhorn community was trading in the city Thursday.

S. E. Challiner was a visitor in the city yesterday from the Joy Prairie neighborhood.

Misses Nelle and Rose Quigg of Joy Prairie were visitors in Jacksonville Thursday.

Mrs. M. T. Mabry of Mt. Vernon is a guest at the home of Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Crouch.

Frank Wigginjost of Franklin was among the business callers in the city Thursday.

Charles Spruit went to Springfield last night and from there will go to Boston, Mass.

Mrs. Joseph Wilson was a Jacksonville visitor yesterday from the Point neighborhood.

Ross and William Cox of the Pisgah neighborhood were visitors in the city Thursday.

Albert Weeder and John Hall were among the Murrayville visitors in Jacksonville Thursday.

Miss Louise Doocey of Pittsfield is a guest of Miss Lillian Havenhill of 706 West State street.

Misses Clara C. Moore, E. Ainslie Moore and Margaret Ring are visiting in Joliet and Chicago.

Miss Edna Sheppard expects to return to Boston, Mass., Saturday to resume her musical studies.

Mrs. B. R. Morrow and daughter, Frances of Franklin were among the visitors in the city Thursday.

Miss Maude Cruse left for Roodhouse Thursday afternoon for a visit of two weeks with her sister.

Misses Ethel Mann and Miss Nina Wright are guests today of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hunter of Sinclair.

Miss Edna Hobbs of Dielstadt, Mo., is in Jacksonville for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Lela Hobbs.

Fred Dodsworth of Macomb is expected in the city today to spend New Year's vacation with home folk.

Willie Berryman and sister, Iva, are visiting with their cousins, Lucille and Elgin Olinger at Franklin.

Mrs. Mary Lumsden has returned to her home in Ceres, Ill., after a pleasant visit here with her daughters.

Miss Daisy Steere expects to leave tomorrow morning for Beardstown to visit her sister, Mrs. Joseph Mann.

Miss Pearl Megginson of Woodson is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Kastrup, South Church street.

Mrs. George Hatzenbuhler has returned to Bloomington after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Miller.

Mrs. Martin Andrews and Miss May Boulware of Franklin were among the shoppers in the city Thursday.

Otis Jolly will leave with his family this morning for Franklin to spend the day with his father, E. C. Jolly.

Supt. C. E. Collins arrived home from Springfield Thursday where he has been attending the State Teachers' meeting.

Miss Wilma Crum of Literberry is in the city, a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs J. A. Crum on West North street.

Charles Sehy returned Thursday to his home in Ashland after a visit with his cousin, Frank Sehy, of Hardin avenue.

W. H. Sturgis of Springfield was among those who attended the class initation of Urania lodge No. 243 Wednesday evening.

Alden Brown has gone to Quincy where he will join his wife who is spending the holiday vacation at the home of her parents.

Miss Brown's orchestra went to Roodhouse last night to play at a New eYar's dance to be given by the Knights of Pythias.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Johnson of Lockwood Place left Thursday for St. Louis to spend New Year day at the home of relatives.

Mrs. Joseph Conkey and sons, Roy and Merle have gone to Tallula to visit friends before returning to their home in Waterloo, Iowa.

Mrs. W. H. Starr of Chicago is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Wheeling Mrs. Starr was formerly Miss Blanche Wheeling.

C. D. Ransdall, John Foster, Lee Meredith and Claude Hart were among the business callers in Jacksonville Thursday from Franklin.

Mrs. H. E. Harrison of West College street returned Thursday from Waverly where she has been visiting friends for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McKean of Toulon, Stark county, are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Russel near Woodson.

Mrs. Ornsby Dawson of Winchester and Roy Dawson of Memphis, Tenn., are visiting at the home of Peter Kastrup, South Church street.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel I. Coultas of North West street spent one day last week in Winchester with Mr. Coultas' mother, Mrs. Oliver Coultas.

Miss Ella Coleman of Murrayville and Miss B. Lockhart of Literberry are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Magner on North Diamond street.

Miss Alice Green of the Dunlap Russell & Co's. bank, is spending New Years day at the home of her brother, Frank Green in the vicinity of Sinclair.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Laning and Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Lambert will spend New Years day at the home of Mr. Laning's brother, C. B. Laning, in Petersburg.

Carter Crain of Waverly and Jesse De Freitas of Springfield are guests of George W. Vasconsellos and attended the dance of the Delta Club Thursday evening.

P. J. Woulfe of the vicinity of Davis Switch was in the city Thursday and in the evening left for Peoria to visit for a few days with his daughters Misses Mae and Aline Woulfe.

Albert P. Knollenberg has returned to his home in Canadia, Texas after spending a week at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. H. H Knollenberg on South Main street.

Harry Walker of the Douglas grocery left last night for Waukegan to spend a few days with H. A. Brewer who is physical director in the Y. M. C. A. building at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Bond expect to leave in a few days for San Diego, Calif. to remain until spring. They have passed several winters in California and were pleased with their visits.

Miss Alice Rigden of Ottawa is in the city for a visit with her brother, Cullen C. Rigden. She has been attending the sessions of the Illinois State Teachers' association at Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Heaton of 111 South Clay evenue, have returned from a two days visit with relatives in Peoria. They expect to spend today in Franklin, guests of Miss Lucile Olinger.

Miss Hazel Bradley of Trinidad, Colorado, a student of the Woman's college has returned. She was accompanied home by her cousin, Earl Hembrough and until school begins she will visit at the home of Thomas Hembrough of the Asbury neighborhood.

Rev. F. M. Rule and Mrs. Rule have returned to this city after going to their home in St. Paul for a stay of a few weeks. Rev. and Mrs. Rule will for a time take up their residence at the home of Mrs. Rule's brother, Capt. Alex. Smith, on West State street.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hamel and children, Miss Rena Ray Ranson and Peter Hamel of Jacksonville spent Sunday with George Fligg and family.

Mrs. Mayfield, west of the city, has been very sick

Miss Gertrude Stainforth of Concord is spending the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. H. Stainforth.

D. N. Foster left Saturday afternoon for Hopkinsville, Ky., for a visit with his sister. From there he expects to go to Arapaho, Okla. for a visit with his brother, J. B. Foster.

John Wilson, who has been on the sick list, is improving.

Miss Pearl Fligg spent Christmas with her sister, Mrs. C. E. Hamel.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Ranson and daughter Fay and Misses Ruth and Irene Hamel spent Christmas with relatives in Jacksonville.

Mrs. Mollie Wilmith, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Edwards of Springfield, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Moore and Miss Hulda Moore spent Christmas with George Blackburn and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lazenby were shoppers in the city Monday.

Mrs. Frank Ranson has been very sick.

Miss Leona Henderson of Beardstown is visiting with her aunt, Mrs Joseph Potter.

MRS. ROBERT HUNTER OBSERVES BIRTHDAY.

The 76th birthday anniversary of Mrs. Robert Hunter was duly observed Wednesday evening when her five brothers, Hassel, Charles, James, Phillip and Richard Hopper gathered at her home on South East street to take six o'clock dinner with the hostess and her family. This has been a custom observed by them for several years and the events have always proved happy ones. Mrs. Hunter provided a nice warm meal, one of the dishes being "Firmity", a well known Christmas day preparation in "Merrie England". It is composed of cracked wheat with other ingredients known to those familiar with the famous Christmas dish.

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Celebration Held Because of Her Recent Election to Presidency of Rebekah State Assembly.

Mrs. Myrtle W. Tandy was guest of honor Thursday evening at a banquet and reception given by Caritas Rebekah lodge No. 625 in celebration of her recent election to the presidency of the Rebekah State assembly. More than a hundred members of the local order with various of the state officers sat down at 6:30 to a most excellent course luncheon at the Dunlap hotel and at 8 o'clock the company adjourned to the lodge hall for the reception and program.

Among the speakers were Mrs. Tandy, W. H. Pease, Mrs. Laura B. Lathom, Orien E. Tandy, Mrs. Cora M. Philips, the Rev. Louis Starbuck, Mrs. May Crowell, John H. Sikes, Mrs. Ella Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. North, Mrs. Joseph Pine. An orchestra furnished music for the occasion, Miss Geraldine Sieber gave two instrumental solos and Miss Frasier of Illinois conservatory rendereda pleasing vocal solo. J. J. Reeve acted as chairman of the evening.

The following were in the receiving line: Mrs. Wallace Brockman, Noble Grand Caritas lodge 625; Mrs. O. E. Tandy, president Rebekah state assembly; W. H. Pease, grand master I. O. O. F.; Mrs. Laura B. Lathom, vice president Rebekak state assembly; O. E. Tandy, Mrs. Cora M. Phillips, Grand Warden of the Rebekah state assembly; Rev. Louis Starbuck, Grand Chaplain of the I. O. O. F. grand lodge; Mrs. May Crowell, past president of the Rebekah state assembly; John H. Sikes, Grand Secretary of the I. O. O. F.; Mrs. Ella Johnson, past president Rebekah state assembly; George Tandy, M. B. Horn, senior warden of the Grand Encampment; C. M. Turner, Grand Representative of the Soverign Grand Lodge; J. J. Reeve, Mrs. C. M. Turner, state treasurer of the Rebekah state assembly; Mrs. Dora North, past president of the Rebekah state assembly; Mr. North, Mrs. G. R. Bradley, president of the 22nd district assembly; Dr. G. R. Bradley, Mrs. Amelia Warner, grand chaplain of the Rebekah state assembly; Mrs. Clyde Singley, member of the executive board of state assembly; Mrs. Emma Hunter, member of the grand lodge committee; Mrs. Joseph Pine, noble grand of No. 13; Mrs. C. J. Roberts, vice grand of 625; Mrs. Minnie Roberts, member of Grand lodge committee.

At the conclusion of the program Mrs. Tandy was presented with a handsome bouquet of pink roses. The lodge room was tastefully decorated for the occasion, the main hall with potted flowers and ferns and the west room with pink and green. Refreshments were served in the hall,, Vickery and Merrigan catering.

Letters of regret were read from several past officers and members of the lodge. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Keiser of Chicago, Dr. and Mrs. Lucas of the Orphans Home at Lincoln, Mrs. Lina D. Carlin of Jerseyville, Mrs. Lola Rickard of Macon and Mrs. Catherine V. ed and the car was slightly damaged.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Perry York, Jacksonville; Marie Taylor, Jacksonville.

SAYS GERMAN ARMIES ARE SPLIT INTO THREE.

London, Jan. 1—(2:41 a. m.)—The fighting about Bolimow (in Russian Poland, eleven miles east of Lowicz) has ended disastrously for the Germans, says the Petrograd correspondent of the Morning Post. He states also that the "Russians have got the Germans and Austrian armies in Western Galicia practically split into three."

STREET CAR HIT AUTO.

A Hupmobile in which Wm. Newman and son William Newman, Jr. were riding was hit by a North Main street car about one o'clock Thursday afternoon at the North street crossing. No one was injured and the car slightly damaged.

WEIGAND'S MEAT MARKET.

Will close today at 11 a. m.

Read the Journal; 10c a week.

SOCIAL EVENTS.

Misses Alice and Mary Wadsworth entertained a company at bridge at their home on West State street Thursday afternoon. There were six tables and a very pleasant afternoon was spent. The guest list included Mrs. Jones Green and the Misses Aley of Tallula and Mrs. Ball of Kansas City.

A family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Simms of Hardin avenue Wednesday. Those present included Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Beck of Springfield; Mrs. Joseph Conkey and sons Merle and Roy of Waterloo, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Campbell; Mrs. A. E. Snebley and J. A. Beck of Tallula.

The Gallaudet Club held its annual banquet Thursday night at eight o'clock at the Dunlap. A most tempting menu, attractively served, was enjoyed after which the club adjourned to the parlors where a business meeting was held and the following officers elected for 1915: D. W. George, president; F. P. Lupin, 1st vice president; T. J. Cranwill, 2nd vice president; Ernest Tilton, secretary; W. I. Tilton, treasurer. A telegram of greeting was sent to Dr. E. M. Gallaudet at Hartford and resolutions were passed expressing the appreciation of the club for the efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Brewer, of the Dunlap in behalf of the club, after which stories were told until the New Year was nigh at hand. Several guests were present from out of town and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

A program of well selected waltz and two-step numbers, artistic decorations of red, green and russet brown, setting forth an autumn leaf effect, and a well appointed luncheon at eleven o'clock with three excellent courses were features of the Delta dinner dance at the Peacock Inn New Year's eve. Thirty members of the club were present with their friends. Henry Hein and Ernest Stout had in charge the decorations and J. C. Lukeman and H. Jay Rodgers were the program committee. J. W. Larson and G. W. Vasconcellos had in supervision the dinner arrangements. There were sixteen regular dances and four extras, the latter including a circle two step. F. B. Hopper and G. W. Vasconcellos are president and secretary of the club, which Thursday evening gave its second dance of the season.

Members of Jacksonville council, Knights of Columbus,planned well and wisely this year for the closing dance of the 1914 season and in the annual New Year's ball, held last evening at the K. C. hall, occurred a social event of more than ordinary pleasure. There were present more than a hundred young people, including a number from more distant points in Morgan county and Winchester and vicinity. Visitors were there also from Pontiac and Springfield. On the committee in charge of the event were Edward Cox, Frank Clancy, Charles Harmon, Thomas Burns and Charles Ryan.

Miss Elsie Baptist entertained a large company of friends at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Baptist, 199 East Walnut street, last night to welcome the new year in. Music for the occasion was furnished by Mrs. Lillian Smith and Miss Elsie Bantist. At the midnight hour refreshments were served. The guests on departing wished the Baptist family many good wishes for the new year. Among the out of town guests were Mrs. Adda Van Wormer of St. Louis and Mr. and Mrs. R. De Freitas of Peoria.

Miss Anna Hagerty entertained a company of friends at the home of her mother, on East Railroad street. Games and music afforded entertainment for the evening and all watched the old year out and the new year in. Prizes in the games were won by Miss Nell Hoban and George Grospitz. At the midnight hour light refreshments were served.

In accordance with a custom observed several years in the past, Mr. and Mrs. Asa M. Robinson entertained a company of friends at their North Main street home Thursday evening to hail the advent of the new year. There were present about fifty guests and with dancing, games, music and refreshment, the hours passed by in a manner very pleasant. C. Scott Ratcliffe of Grinnell, Ia., was a guest of honor.

Miss Helen Obermeyer gave a watch party at her home on North Church street, four couples being present. Progressive five hundred was played and at midnight fireworks were shot off in welcoming the new year in. Dainty refreshments were served.

Hillsboro vs. Jacksonville high in the 1st basketball game. Tonight 7:30 p. m., new gymnasium. Admission 25 cents.

Mrs. John Rollington has returned to her home in Quincy after spending the Christmas holidays with her father, Samuel Nunes of Myrtle street.

WILL CLOSE TOMORROW.

On account of the death of Gus Deppe, the store of C. J. Deppe & Co. will close Saturday at noon for the remainder of the day.

ELLIOTT STATE BANK.

All deposits made in the Savings Department of the Elliott State Bank during the first Ten days of January will draw interest from the first of the month.

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GIVES SUMMARY OF REPORT OF OPERATIONS OF CARRANZA FORCES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31—The Carranza agency here made public tonight a statement summarizing reports of the operations of Carranza forces in Northern Mexico. It said:

"Monterey reports that General Antonio I. Villareal at the head of his troops has left Monterey to engage the enemy and that the constitutionalist garrisons at Matamoras have contributed troops to hold Monterey while Villareal is in field. Laredo wires that General Herrera, commanding 15,000 men, routed a Villista force under the commander of General Garza who was himself badly wounded. This battle lasted for two days and Herrera is following up his victory with a march on Torreon.

"The same source reports that General Pablo Gonzalez has sent a detachment of 5,000 troops from Tampico to take part in the operations against Torreon. The railroad between Monterey and Saltillo and Monterey and Tampico is in tact."

MORTUARY

Deppe.

A message was received in the city Thursday conveying news of the sudden passing of Gus Deppe, who died after an illness of but a few hours Thursday forenoon at 11 o'clock at his home in Beardstown. Deceased was a prominent merchant of his home city and was a brother of C. J. Deppe of Jacksonville and William Deppe of Beardstown. He was born and reared in Beardstown and as head of the firm of Deppe Bros., has long stood high in business circles there. He was a Mason and a member of several other fraternal orders and stood high in the membership of the Evangelical Lutheran church.

Mr. Deppe is survived by his wife, his father, John Deppe, a sister, Miss Lydia Deppe and by the two brothers before mentioned. He was about fifty years of age.

Funeral services will be held Sunday, although definite arrangements at last reports had not been announced.

WATCH NIGHT SERVICE AT CENTRAL CHRISTIAN

The watch night services at Central Christian church were well attended Thursday evening and the four-part program of readings, motion pictures, social hour and devotionals served well to pass the time from 8 o'clock to midnight. The literary program was rendered as hitherto announced and at 9:15 o'clock luncheon was served by the Pastoral helpers. The motion pictures included both comic and industrial subjects and were appreciated by everyone. An impressive feature of the season of worship was the baptistal service, carried out with lights subdued and with the assistance of quartet which sang a verse of "Nearer, My God to Thee", between the baptism of each candidate. Rev. Mr. Pontius made a feeling address on "Things Which Abide."

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Experience and development suggest the necessity of discontinuing the personal property line, and the employment agency, in order to properly care for the increased volume of the real estate, loan and insurance business.

Finding it impossible to take the time to survey and plot real estate property as was our earlier plan, we charge no fee for listing, and charge a flat rate of two per cent commission on all business transacted.

Notwithstanding the unfavorable conditions as to crops and unstable finances during the past two years, our business has been most gratifying from every point; and for this reason we begin a new year with renewed energy, and with a determination to continue the same principles as formerly, soliciting only clean, honest business and refusing consideration to all else.

We consider our patrons of the past our best advertisement, and refer all inquiry concerning our methods to them feeling assured that they will tell all inquirers just what we want them to know.

Wishing all a happy and prosperous new year, we are at your service at the old stand.

CHAS. H. STORY.

Room 303 Ayers Bank Building Hours 1 to 4 p. m.
Illinois Phone—Office 1329, Residence 1216

IT'S THE TIME TO HAVE THAT TIRE WORK DONE

The winter season is the time to have your auto tire work done and to have other needed work done on the car so that everything will be ready for the start when the spring days come.

Competent mechanics await you here. All our work carries with it our positive guarantee.

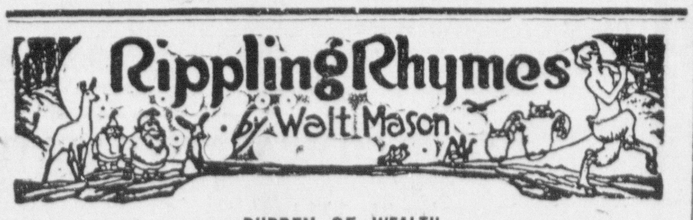
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Modern Garage

Bought Entire Stock

Mallory Bros. have purchased the entire stock of furniture, etc. from Mr. Garrison who recently opened business in the Busby Building on South Main street.

ENJOY DAY AT CURRY HOME.

A company of young lady friends of Mrs. Albert E. Curry went to Pisgah Thursday morning via the early Burlington train, enjoyed a four-course turkey dinner at noon, and spent a pleasant afternoon with various forms of social diversion. Among the guests were Misses Irene Cox, Marie Wiswell, Helen Morris, Helen Mathis, Bess Pyatt, Helen Shreve, Marian Williamson, Violet Davis and Ruth Badger.



BURDEN OF WEALTH



I never yet have seen a Croesus who was gay; too much of old long green drives happiness away. The coin is goodly stuff, it is not vulgar dross, and when you've not enough you feel a total loss. But when you have a pile as big as Johnson's barn, you find you cannot smile or chortle worth a darn. By day it fills your mind, you dream about your wad, and man was not designed to make long green his god. All happenings on earth to you important seem, according to their worth to your financial scheme. Your viewpoint soon is wrong, your estimates are rash, you hold men weak or strong, according to their cash. No merit you can trace in genius clothed in rags, but you've a warm embrace for old man Money Bags. You see all Europe wrecked, and wet with gory ponds, and talk of war's effect on mortgages and bonds. And when, on Judgment Day, we stand, in frightened ranks, we'll doubtless hear you say, "This will disturb the banks!" Ah, better to be broke, and full of prunes, and sane, and think this world a joke, than give our souls to gain.

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PRESIDENT OPENS PANAMA EXPOSITION

PUSHES ELECTRIC BUTTON TO OPEN FAIR TO THE WORLD.

Panama-California Exposition Will Remain Open Until January 1, 1916—Secretary McAdoo Represents President Wilson at Opening Ceremonies.

San Diego, Calif., Jan. 1—Thr e thousand miles away, President Wilson arose today in the small hours at Washington and touched an electric button that opened to the world at midnight here, the Panama-California exposition. It will remain open until January 1, 1916.

Visitors from all parts of the country participated in the opening celebration, but the southwest was especially well represented. The Imperial Valley of California alone sent a delegation of 2,000 in 500 automobiles.

William G. McAdoo, secretary of the treasury, represented President Wilson.

As the personal representative of King Alfonso of Spain, there was present Count Del Valle de Salazar, and with him were the legates of other foreign powers.

Fireworks and illuminations signalled the opening of the gates early yesterday evening and for three hours there was opportunity to explore the new city of Old Spain which has risen on the mesa above the Harbor of The Sun.

Then, at 11:30, the formal ceremony of throwing wide the gates to the world began. Lyman J. Gage of San Diego, former secretary of the treasury, presented Colonel D. C. Collier, former president of the exposition. After describing the inception of the exposition, Colonel Collier made way for President G. Aubrey Davidson, to whom were delivered the plans, the keys and finally the exposition itself.

At midnight the exercises ended and the flash of an electric spark in the white house carried over the wires President Wilson's announcement.

Dedicatory ceremonies will be held on the Panima - California exposition grounds this morning. In behalf of President Wilson, Secretary McAdoo will deliver an address, and there will be speeches by John Barrett, director general of the Pan-American Union, in behalf of the Nations of the two Americas; by Count De Salazar, in behalf of King Alfonso of Spain; by the representatives of other foreign powers and by the governors of California and other western states.

MOVEMENTS IN MORE IMPORTANT INDUSTRIAL CHANNELS ARE SLOW

Most Significant Fact is That Practically all Lines and Sections Look for Improvement After January 1.

New York, Dec. 31.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say:

Inventory taking is the rule and therefore movements in the more important industrial and commercial channels are slow but the most significant fact is that practically all lines and sections, save the south look for improvement after January 1st—gradual perhaps at first, but expending as the season for spring buying progresses. At the moment, however, distribution is mainly from retail purveyors, by whom sacrifice sales are being pushed, with negatively favorable results at most centers, the range being from poor in the south to active in the west, where the full force of remunerative prices for wheat are exhibited. It is noteworthy that reports from some points indicate that Christmas trade was better than anticipated but in general such returns especially from industrial centers, disclose that buying was limited in consonance with lack of steady employment.

Wheat exports for the week were 7,400,382 bushels against 5,801,412 bushels last year.

Business failures in the United States for the week (five days) were 511, compared with 365 last year; in Canada 68, compared with 45 last year.

REDFIELD DISPELS GLOOM AND DISPAIR

SECRETARY OF COMMERCE SENDS GREETINGS TO BUSINESS MEN.

Bids Them Reach out for the Prosperity He Sees Within the Grasp of the Merchants and Manufacturers of the Nation.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Heartened by months of close study of the business outlook of the nation, Secretary Redfield of the commerce department wrote today a New Year's greeting to the merchants and manufacturers of the country bidding them in characteristic language reach out for the prosperity he sees within their grasp.

There is no warrant, Mr. Redfield declares, for gloom or despair. The ill effects of the European war on American enterprise are passing and new vistas for commercial ventures are opening with each new day. His message follows:

"If you want prosperity do your own share to bring it and do it now. Get that addition to your shop going; it will cost you less today than six months hence. Is trade a bit dull in the works?

"Get those improvements begun. Prices are low and likely to rise. You've been thinking of that contract work, better start it yourself before things get the start of you.

Never Stops Growing.

"This country slowed down a bit now and then but it never stops growing and it always moved up and not down. We don't know what it means in most of the United States to have general distress. Think of Belgium and Poland; Oh man with a grouch, slink into your hole and pull it in after you. There think of your sins and your blessings and come out with your courage in working order.

"There are lots of good American examples of pluck. Do you remember San Francisco and Galveston and Chicago—Boston, Charleston, Baltimore and Dayton and many others like them? Remember Thomas A. Edison and lots of other of your fellow citizens who showed pluck when things were hard?

"Nothing is the matter with the man with a grouch except an absentee heart and missing nerve. Cheer up, go to work, do your level best, quit talking misery. The war's over yonder—not here. Men are slaughtered yonder—they are living here. It's all cloud there—clear day here.

"Get out and sell some goods. Plant some more acres; do more work than you planned. Talk cheerful talk and you'll find this country of ours a pretty good place after all."

To support the secretary's hopeful views are the figures gathered by his department as to American commerce since the outbreak of the great war. Since August when the monthly trade balance of the nation showed a deficit of nearly $20,000,000 through excess of imports over exports, the situation has been completely changed. For December alone it is estimated the export excess will reach $100,000,000 or more with one exception the highest mark of the last two years.

The war caught the country unprepared in that a tremendous import excess had been rolled up in the four months preceding its outbreak. With the August total included American merchants were in debt to foreign manufacturers and producers nearly $40,000,000 by these figures alone. Since then including the December estimate, the export excess has reached a total of $174,000,000. The floating debt of the United States to foreign countries has been paid in goods, Secretary Redfield has declared and he looks now to the near approach of a day when the United States will take her place as a creditor nation, no longer a borrower. Since the war also 105 foreign built ships with a gross tonnage of 373,840 have come under the American flag.

Additions to this fleet are being made every week. Already plans are afoot to draw a closer true commercial bond with Latin-American countries. Extension of credit that Mr. Redfield believes must pave the way toward any expasion of commercial relations with those countries. Officials of the commerce department have been studying the problem since the outbreak of the war and now there has been called a conference here between the financial ministers and great bankers of all American republic next year.

From that gathering is expected to come practical suggestions to stimulate trade relations.

In preparing for the new year the commerce department will issue January 2nd, the first copy of the new Daily Commercial Report to supplant the old consular bulletins.

Dr. Pratt of the foreign and domestic commerce bureau decided today to make the new publication to some extent inter-departmental by presenting in its columns cablegrams received by the state department trade advisers, data as to crop yield and condition from the census bureau and agricultural department and information as to war risk insurance written by the government bureau in the treasury department from day to day. The plan is to condense into the daily all daily occurrences among the departments that directly and immediately affect the country's business interests.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

Funeral services for Edward A. Turner will be held at 10 o'clock this a.m. in the Gillham undertaking parlors and will be conducted by Rev. W. W. Theobald, pastor of Brooklyn Church. Interment will be in Jacksonville cemetery.

NOTICE!

We are willing to do a little more for charity, and this week all of our broken sizes

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They are all $4.00, $5.00 and $6.00 Suits, so don't delay but come in early.

We are loosing more than $1.95 on these suits, so if anyone wants to do something for charity come and purchase a few and give them to the poor and suffering.

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SCORE TEACHING OF SEX HYGIENE IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Illinois State Teachers Association Holds Closing Meeting in Springfield.

Springfield, Ills., Dec. 31—The teaching of sex hygiene in the public schools was severely scored at the closing meeting of the Illinois State Teachers' association today by R. P. Shepherd of Chicago of the Illinois Sunday School association.

"The American people are hysterical about polygamy but they joke about divorces and domestic tangles", declared the speaker. "I would be tempted to do something rash if such instructions was attempted with a child of mine, sex hygiene belongs to the private conversation and nowhere else.

"The youth of this nation doesn't know what the sanctity of the marriage relation is", continued Mr. Shepherd.

"Young people have been led so long to think lightly about it and to see it made the end of cheap jokes that they fall into the fallicacy of believing it to be a thing of little consequence, which can be escaped easily in the divorce courts."

DIPLOMATIC BREAKFAST WILL NOT BE HELD TODAY

European Conflict Prevents Annual Gathering of Diplomats in Washington.

Washington, Dec. 31—The secretary of state's diplomatic breakfast, always the most colorful event of New Year's Day in the capital, will not be held tomorrow because diplomatic proceedure does not permit of a gathering of so many diplomatists whose countries are at war. Secretary and Mrs. Bryan have sent out handsomely engraved New Year's cards.

The New Year's reception at the white house too has been abandoned because of mourning there for the death of Mrs. Wilson and none of the state dinners or receptions are to be held this season.

ELLIOTT STATE BANK.

All deposits made in the Savings Department of the Elliott State Bank during the first Ten days of January will draw interest from the first of the month.

Mrs. R. E. Valentine of Tallula was shopping in the city Thursday.

We teach watches to tell the truth

If your watch can't be depended upon bring it in and et our expert repair man put it in first-class condition.

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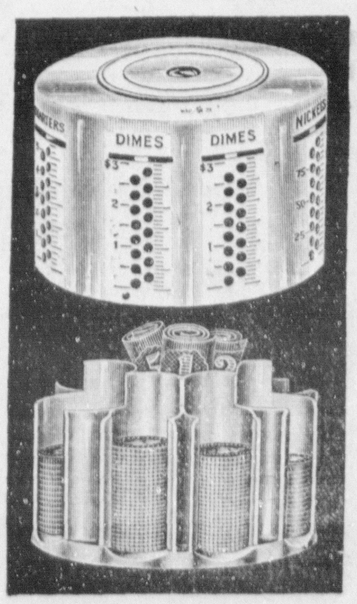
OR—With the confidence and satisfaction and security that comes from having your own savings account in this old reliable bank?

How About This?

With a desert ahead of you on your journey you would save enough of your supplies to surely take you across it.

With Old Age Ahead

bringing sickness and loss of employment, are you going to spend all you make as you go along?



What About This?

Start a savings account with us at once.

Adopt This Little Bank

into your family—it is free—and drop your spare change into it now and then until you have a dollar or more.

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You can deposit the money, which will earn for you 3 per cent interest and settle these questions.

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1914 HAS BEEN EVENTFUL FOR EXCEPTIONALLY THIS COUNTRY

Great European War Upset Our Finance and Commerce—Mexican Trouble a Sore Spot.

Vera Cruz Occupied by United States Troops—Panama Canal Opened — Federal Reserve Banks Start.

By JAMES SCHREIBER.

IN the United States events of epoch making character have occurred since the close of 1913. Just barely escaping a war of our own with Mexico, we became seriously affected by the upheaval of the world's finance and commerce brought about by the almost unbelievable tragedy which has shaken all the earth. The formerly vague monster of a world war suddenly acquired form. Into its lungs breath was blown by the hatred of nations, and it suddenly ran amuck. Armed Europe clashed. Unlike the nations involved and quite a number of neutral countries, we were financially secure even when this unnatural upheaval of conditions came, but the war upset our economic conditions.

The complete suspension of the stock and commodity exchanges throughout the country occurred as soon as Germany's attitude became evident. July 31st the New York stock exchange closed its doors, and the day following Germany declared war. Rumors of war had begun to dig deep into the pockets of Uncle Sam when it became necessary to ship load after load of gold abroad, as foreign countries called upon us to exchange our metal for American securities owned abroad. Up to the time when England declared war on Germany many millions of the precious metal had left our coffers, but at that moment heavy shipments from this country almost ceased and Great Britain established a branch of the Bank of England in Canada to take care of the exchange.

Wilson Declares Neutrality.

President Wilson's declarations of neutrality soon followed, while an offer of his services in bringing about peace among the warring nations was adjudged untimely, and he decided that the countries involved must first show they are ready for mediation before he would again approach them.

With England commanding the sea with its superior navy, German shipping across the Atlantic ceased almost at once. This had a serious effect on our trade, and plans for the re-establishment of our merchant marine received an impetus never before equaled since our flag dropped from a frequent to an unusual sight upon the great water highways of the world. This impetus has resulted in important changes in our maritime laws, and numerous vessels heretofore flying foreign ensigns have been enabled to change to American registry.

The buying of ships by the government has been taken seriously in hand by congress, the idea having the earnest approval of President Wilson.

The most vital setback to the cotton industry since the civil war came upon the south like a shock with the call to arms in Europe.

This has been the effect of the European conflict on us during 1914, and, with our diplomatic representatives abroad firmly established in charge of the affairs of all the warring nations as long as hostilities last, our position in world politics has been given an enviable boost.

One of the most fortunate systems which shaped itself in 1914 has been the organization and opening on Nov. 15 of the federal reserve banks. Our money system was thus put on a much sounder basis, almost immediately dovetailing into the exigencies brought about by the conditions in Europe. In the financial sphere an exceptionally large failure is checked up against the year 1914. The Claflin dry goods company, the biggest concern of its kind in America if not in the world, went to the wall with liabilities of $40,000,000.

Investigations of combinations of big business have continued throughout the year, but two dissolution proceedings principally have held the attention of the public. The International Harvester company was ordered to dissolve, and the New Haven railroad promised to separate from its subsidiaries.

Troublesome Mexico.

Not a day has passed during the past twelve months but that the Washington administration has "watchfully waited" events in Mexico. With our troops still on the Texas border our troublesome neighbor has created a sore spot in our side which hurts considerably, but which has of late been somewhat minimized by the importance of the great European struggle.

It was on Jan. 2 that President Wilson met John Lind, his special representative in Mexico, on board the Chester in the gulf of Mexico. A month later he lifted the embargo on the exportation of arms. On Feb. 17 Mexicans under Villa murdered William S. Benton, an Englishman, involving us in serious diplomatic conversations with England. On the 10th of April occurred the event which formed the basis of the excuse for our later intervention in Mexican affairs. American sailors landing in Tampico on a friendly errand were arrested by Mexican authorities, and an apology was refused by Huerta.

On the 20th of the month President Wilson personally addressed both houses of congress asking for permission to use armed force, and the next day sailors and marines entered Vera Cruz, taking complete possession of that city in three days, aided by the guns of several of our warships. Seventeen of our men were killed and seventy wounded, while twenty-six Mexicans were killed and 195 wounded. On the 27th Huerta accepted mediation, which resulted in the conference at Niagara Falls with the A B C (Argentine, Brazil, Chile) mediators presiding. Three days later General Funston landed in Vera Cruz with 4,000 troops, and two months later Huerta resigned and fled, leaving the field to Carranza, the Constitutionalist "first chief," Villa and others.

Carranza and Villa Break.

The United States was beginning to breathe easily when the break between the "first chief" and Villa occurred, due to the dictatorial attitude of the former. This rupture threatened to hold our soldiers in Vera Cruz indefinitely, but to show our good faith they were withdrawn on Nov. 23. Shortly after this Carranza established his provisional government in Vera Cruz, while Zapata, the bandit chief, and Villa took possession of Mexico City, giving us three men to deal with.

The long session of congress eventually came to an end on Oct. 24, but reconvened on Dec. 7. Four times since the first of the year both houses in joint session have been addressed personally by the president.

A feature of congress this year is the $40,000,000 appropriation for an Alaskan railroad to be owned and built by the government, opening rich territory. The war tax bill became a law Oct. 22, and at one stroke congress wiped out the deficit in the budget caused by the falling off of customs revenue for which the great war was responsible.

The sum of $25,000,000 went from our coffers to those of Colombia in the belated recognition of her rights in the Panama canal deal. Many treaties have been made within the past year, numerous peace agreements having been signed.

The general elections in November reduced the Democratic majority from 141 in the present house to 19 in the next.

Fire and tragedy gave their usual shares of destruction and death to this year. The historic city of Salem, Mass., burned with a loss of $12,000,000. But overshadowing this was the sinking of the steamship Empress of Ireland by the collier Storstad in the St. Lawrence river May 29, resulting in the drowning of 1,024 persons.

Panama Canal Opened.

The Panama canal was opened to traffic in 1914. Ships are now passing through regularly, although landslides sometimes impede traffic. Colonel Goethals was nominated governor of the canal zone on April 1.

For many months an internal strife drew the attention of state and national authority. It was in April that the country first awoke to the seriousness of the Colorado coal strike. On the 20th the miners and militia clashed, twenty-five being killed, including women and children. Federal troops were called, and only this held in check what at one time looked as though it might develop into uncontrollable proportions.

The Boston Nationals (the Braves), under the leadership of George T. Stallings, crept up from the bottom and defeated the Philadelphia Americans in four straight games for the world's championship, the first time such a thing has ever happened.

Americans of world renown have died during 1914. The whole country mourned with President Wilson the loss of his wife on July 6. A southern and a northern general died, respectively, General Buckner, at eighty, and General Sickles, at ninety.

George Westinghouse, inventor of the air brake, died at sixty-seven. Adlai E. Stevenson, vice president during Cleveland's second term, was seventy-eight when he died in June. The highest court in the land lost one of its members, Supreme Court Justice Horace H. Lurton dying at the age of seventy.



Photos by American Press Association.

1.—George Stallings piloted Boston Braves to victory. 2 and 3.—Troops occupying Vera Cruz and General Frederick Funston. 4.—Ruins after Salem's fire. 5.—Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, who died. 6.—New York Stock Exchange closed July 31, reopened Dec. 12. 7.—John Skelton Williams appointed comptroller of currency, becoming member of federal reserve board. 8.—Storstad, which sank Empress of Ireland. 9 and 10.—Colonel Goethals and opening of Panama canal.

EUROPEAN WAR NOTES

Berlin, Dec. 31—By wireless to London—(6:24 p. m.)—Emperor William has sent from the army headquarters a message to President Wilson conveying his wishes for a Happy New Year. The emperor also expresses his best wishes for the welfare of the United States.

London, Dec. 31—(9:25 p. m.)—A despatch to Reuter's Telegram company from Capetown says that Walfish Bay on the southwest coast of Africa was re-occupied Christmas day, without opposition by a strong British force.

London, Dec. 31—(7:55 p. m.)—A telegram received here today by Reuter's Telegram company from Pretoria, the seat of government of the Union of South Africa, says:

"It is officially announced that the government intends to commandeer men for service in German Southwest Africa and in the Union of South Africa as the situation cannot be adequately met by depending on the volunteer recruits."

Porthcawl, Wales, Dec. 31—via London, Dec 31—(5:15 p. m.—Considerable excitement was caused at this seaside resort today by the drifting ashore in this vicinity of many helmets such as are worn by the British troops in Egypt and India.

Paris, Dec 31—(10:40 p. m.)—The following official communication was issued tonight:

"Last evening an attack from the enemy who, after lively firing, endeavored to debauch from the wood of Forges (on the left bank of the Meuse, was immediately repulsed.

"The position which our troops have gained in Steinbach have been kept and we continue to attack those of the enemy.

"From the other parts of the front we have received no information worth mentioning."

Berlin, Dec. 31—By wireless to Sayville, L. I.—In the absence of any striking battle, news today all the newspapers of Berlin print in a prominent place dispatches dealing with the note of protest sent by the United States to Great Britain regarding the detention and searching of American ships. The Lokal Anzeiger's report of the incident declares that Great Britain will be obliged to grant all of America's principal demands since she dare not make of the United States an opponent who could cut off a great part of England's own importations.

Commentators on the situation in the eastern fighting zone unite in attaching little importance to the reports of Russia's gains in Galicia. They declare that the outcome will be decided further to the north where the German advance, they assert, is proceeding according to plans.

From the German army headquarters comes a denial of the report that the Belgians captured 2,000 Germans in the fighting around Lombaertzyde.

The denial says that the Germans in the long battles around Lombaertzyde and Nieuport lost altogether in dead, wounded and missing only about 1,200 men of which total only a small number is missing.

"Christiania reports that the American note of protest against British oppression to neutral trade has made a deep impression and has met with general approval in the northern countries.

"Herr Lehmenn chairman of the Bremen chamber of commerce stated at a meteing of the Bremen merchants that Germany was provided with victuals sufficient for years. The high standard of German science, he added, rendered it possible to supply substitutes for the raw materials necessary for warfare which cannot be imported and that therefore the shutting off of German imports by the British is damaging only the interests of neutrals.

"Amsterdam reports that sixteen British steamers on the South American coast are overdue and that the suspicious has arisen that they have been sunk by German auxiliary cruisers.

"The Rotterdam Courant reports that over seventy of the eighty mines that have stranded on the Dutch coast are British and the remainder French.

"The war correspondent of the Dutch newspaper Tijd at Belgian headquarters says the allies suffered enormous losses near Ypres, that they lost ground and that they were forced to make new dispositions of their troops.

"Stockholm says that diplomatic circles in St. Petersburg are convinced that the note of the Scandinavian powers will demand unrestrained importation of all commodities destined for home consumption.

The Socialist members of the Russian Duma which have been arrested are charged with high treason."

Berlin, Dec. 31.—By wireless to Sayville.—Among the items given out for publication today by the official press bureau was the following:

"The North German Gazette says the allegation contained in the Morning Post (a London newspaper) that it was intended to make Emperor William's son, Prince Eitel Friedrich, King of Hungary, is an untruth.

London, Dec. 31—(6:43 p. m.)—The New Year's honors list contains no peers.

The Earl of Aberdeen, lord lieutenant of Ireland and formerly governor general of Canada, is raised to the rank of Marquisate and Viscount St. Aldwyn (Michael Hicks Beach) is elevated to an Earldom.

The Order of the Garter is conferred on the Earl of Derby and the Earl of Chesterfield while the Order of the Thistle is bestowed on Baron Lovat.

Arthur Henderson, labor leader and member of parliament for the Barnard Castle division of Durham is appointed a privy counsellor.

Hamer Greenwood, Liberal member of parliament for Sunderland, is among the three new baronets while sixteen persons receive the honor of Knighthood. Among those knighted are Henry John Newbolt, barister and author, and Frank Watson Dyson, astromer-royal since 1910.

George Halsey Perley and Clifford Sifton of Canada were appointed knights commander of St. Michael and St. George.

London, Dec. 31—(5:34 p. m.)—Following the conference between Ambassador Page and Foreign Secretary Grey, the foreign office announced today that the full text of the American note would be issued immediately for the information of government officials and the press. Although Ambassador Page and Foreign Secretary Grey had a long conference, it was said that the matter at issue was of much importance that little could be disclosed concerning it until the members of the cabinet had received printed copies of the full text of the note and have had time to consider it carefully. It is probable that a full cabinet meeting will be necessary to discuss the note. The reply is promised either late this week or early next week.

A prominent official said that the British government after thorough consideration of the note was still of the opinion that it was entirely friendly and that the reply would be made in the same spirit.

In official circles no effort is being made to discount the importance of the communication which is to be digested carefully before any attempt is made to formulate in detail the British policy on which the reply will be based. Official opinion is that the differences between England and America will gradually cure themselves, provided Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Holland make vigorous efforts to check the leakage of contraband into Germany.

Italy's handling of the contraband situation is entirely satisfactory to England and British officials intimate that the pursuit of a similar policy by other neutral countries near Germany would immediately relieve the situation, particularly in regard to the length of time that cargoes whose ultimate destination is in question are delayed.

Miss Irene Black is spending a few days with friends in Havana.

THURSDAY IN CONGRESS.

Senate

Met at 11 a. m.

The long delayed seaman's bill was ordered to conference to compose differences with the house.

The immigration bill was taken up for lamendment and with prospect of final vote.

Dean C. Worcester, former Philippine commissioner, opposed the bill for independence before the Philippine committee.

The lands committee continued work on the water power site leasing bill.

Voted down motion to strike literacy test from immigration bill and added amendments to measure to bar persons of African race and strengthen provision against pologamy.

Recessed at 5:46 p. m. to 11 a. m. Saturday.

House.

Met at 11 a. m.

After an hour's filibuster to get a quorum the postal appropriation bill was taken up.

Foreign affairs committee continued hearings on resolutions to prohibit exports of war materials and Representative Towner introduced another resolution for that purpose.

Passed postoffice appropriation bill carrying $321,000,000.

Began consideration of Indian appropriation bill.

Adjourned at 4:17 p. m. to noon Saturday.

PRESIDENT WILSON MAY MAKE ONLY ONE ADDRESS AT INDIANAPOLIS

President's Time will be Limited and He Will Not be Able to Stay for Banquet.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 31.—President Wilson probably will make only one address when he comes to Indianapolis on January 8th. It probably will be at a public meeting to be held in Tomlinson Hall at three o'clock in the afternoon if that time is agreeable to the president. Plans for a Jackson Day banquet to be held in the evening were cancelled when Dick Miller, president of the Indiana Democratic Club under whose auspices Mr. Wilson is to make the trip, received a telegram this afternoon from Secretary Tumulty stating that the president's time in Indianapolis would be limited and that he could not remain for the banquet.

The president is expected to arrive here on a special car at 1:15 o'clock on the afternoon of January 8th. He will be taken immediately to the home of United States Senator John W. Kern, who will accompany the president on the trip. The return to Washington will be started early in the evening.

Governor Samuel M. Ralston probably will introduce the president at the meeting.

Mrs. Barbara E. Bowlby of Delavan is here for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Milton E. Stout, Sr.

THEN and NOW

Jan. 1, 1853. Jan. 1, 1915.

Sixty-two years ago today the first practical power fire engine was demonstrated in Cincinnati. It was the invention of Moses Latta and was constructed in a machine shop in that city. From the days of the "seven cohorts" of ancient Rome with their red vessels and hand pumps, men had fought fire only by hand. George Braithwaite built the first power fire engine, but it was a failure. Latta's successful invention with the organization of a paid city fire department which it made possible, was due to Miles Greenwood, Chief of the Cincinnati Fire Department. When the engine was taken to its first fire the volunteer fire companies did their best to destroy it; but the citizens of Cincinnati rallied in a body to its rescue. Boston was the next city to have a fire engine.

Today the fire insurance companies in many city districts in the United States have reduced this insurance from 20 to 50 per cent, in the face of the fact that a fire is breaking out every three minutes somewhere in America and costing a thousand dollars a minute or a million and a half every twenty-four hours. The secret of this reduction in insurance is the fact that in 1912 there was expended for motor fire apparatus more than $3,000,000 with 594 machines in service. At the close of 1914 it is estimated that the investment in these machines had quardrupled with an outlay of $15,000,000. Many towns and suburban communities now have a single motor hose and chemical engine to cover effectively an area as large as 22 square miles.

CONDENSED STATEMENT

OF THE CONDITION OF

The Ayers National Bank

At the Close of Business Dec. 31, 1914

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	$1,676,809.45
United States bonds (par value)	114,000.00
Other bonds and securities (market value)	319,228.07
Overdrafts	10,834.19
Real estate	1,724 03
Cash and due from banks (Exchange)	342,762.64
	$2,465,358.38

LIABILITIES

Capital stock		$ 200,000.00
Surplus funds		50,000.00
Undivided profits		53,682.82
Circulating notes received from Comptroller		97,400.00
DEPOSITS		
Banks	$ 47,035.38	
Individual	1,570,467.30	
Certificates of deposit	414,351.57	
Dividends now payable	8,000.00	
Postal savings deposits	4,421.31	
United States deposits	20,000.00	2.064,275.56
		$2,465,358.38

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT
DEPOSITS

Deposits December 31, 1914	$2,064,230.06
Deposits December 31, 1913	1,252,265.60
Increase of deposits for year	$ 811,964.46

EARNINGS

Eearnings carried forward December 31, 1913	$36,513.00	
Net earnings year ending December 31, 1914	33,049.71	
Suspended notes	$234.71	
Suspended notes recovered	354.82—$ 120.11—	$69,682.82
Dividend July 1, 1914, 4 per cent taxes paid	$ 8,000.00	
Dividend applied for payment January 2, 1915, 4 per cent	8,000.00—	16,000.00
EARNINGS CARRIED FORWARD Dec. 31, 1914		$ 53,682.82

The net earnings for the year 1914 as shown above are $33,049.71, or 16.52 per cent on capital of $200,000.

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Governor-Elect Declares State is Prosperous and at Peace Because of Prohibition.

Topeka, Kans., Dec. 30.—Kansas was pointed to as the proof that prohibition actually does prohibit in an address by Arthur Capper, governor elect of Kansas before the national convention of the inter-collegiate prohibition association here tonight. He asserted that the fact that Kansas is prosperous and at peace with itself is largely due to prohibition.

"Prohibition is not an easy condition to achieve or maintain," he said. "It takes constant vigilance and ceaseless enforcement of law."

Mr. Capper touched on woman suffrage in Kansas when he asserted that in the state no man can gain office on what is known as a "wide open" platform; that the women would defeat him if the men should fail.

Kansas has reduced its per capita consumption of liquor to $1.25 annually as compared to the $21 annual per capita consumption of the average state having saloons, the speaker pointed out. He also asserted Kansas has the lowest percentage of illiteracy in the United States largely as the result of its thirty-two years of prohibition and compared conditions in Kansas with those in Missouri—the nearest state with saloons.

"In Missouri one farmer in one hundred owns an automobile," he said, "while in Kansas one farmer in five has a car. Missouri has 4,000 saloons into which its people pay eighty million dollars a year. Missouri has but twenty dollars per capita in the savings banks. Kansas with two and a quarter million less population has more than one hundred dollars per capita and about six hundred dollars for every family within its border in the savings banks.

"Missouri has millions of dollars invested in breweries and saloons, but Kansas lent $50,000,000 to New York in the panic of 1907 while Missouri declined to send a penny. Missouri's wealth has been going into saloons and breweries to an alarming extent.

"Kansas wealth has been going into silos and banks, into safe homes into educational institutions, into town improvements."

In view of these results Mr. Capper said it is the duty of Kansas people to take the lead in an active propaganda for making this a saloonless nation.

"On the west," he concluded, 'Colorado has joined the elect. On the South is Oklahoma dry from its birth, on the north, Nebraska is striving for the right and on the east Missouri is trying to be free."

RETURNS TO HARVARD.

John Widenham, who has been spending the holidays in the city with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Widenham expects to return to Harvard to resume studies in the second year of the Harvard law school.



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From St. Louis ..... 8:50 pm
Chicago "Red Hummer" ... 1:55 am
South and West Bound—
St. Louis Accom., daily ... 6:00 am
Kansas City-St Louis local 10:27 am
St. Louis-Mexico Accom. .. 3:48 pm
Kansas City Express .... 8:00 pm

Wabash
East Bound—
No. 72 local frgt, ex-Sun.. 1:10 am
No. 12 ..... 9:45 pm
No. 52, daily ..... 6:25 pm
No. 28, daily ..... 2:13 am
No. 4, daily ..... 8:30 am
No trains stop at Junction.
West Bound—
No. 9, daily ..... 1:50 pm
No. 73, loc. freight, ex-Sun. 2:25 pm
No. 3, daily ..... 7:15 am
No. 15, daily ..... 5:15 pm
No. 53, Hannibal Accom... 10:05 am

Burlington Route.
North Bound—
No. 47, daily, ex-Sunday.. 11:20 am
No. 11, daily, ex-Sunday.. 4:50 pm
South Bound—
No. 12, daily, ex-Sunday .. 6:55 am
No. 43, daily, ex-Sunday.. 2:08 pm

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North Bound—
No. 36, daily ..... 7:40 am
No. 35, returns ..... 11:34 am
No. 38, daily ..... 3:05 pm
No. 37, returns ..... 7:35 p. m.

WORLD'S MARKET NEWS

BIG ESTIMATE ON SALES TO EUROPE STRENGTHENS WHEAT

Bulls Are Also Encouraged by Large Cash Purchase to go to Portland, Maine—Other Leading Staples Gain.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—Big estimates on sales of wheat to Europe in the last twenty four hours changed the market today from feebleness to strength. As a result the close, although unsettled, was ⅜c to 1⅜c above last night. Other leading staples too, all showed a net gain—corn ¼c to ⅝c; oats ¼@⅜c to 1¼c and provisions 7½c to 15c.

Totals on the amount of wheat bought for export and not previously announced were figured all the way from one million to two million bushels. In addition, the bulls were encouraged by the purchase of 475,000 bushels of cash wheat here to go to Portland, Maine.

Due notice was likewise taken of the fact that Kansas millers were bidding sharply against exporters and that northwestern receipts were but little more than half as much as on the corresponding day a week ago. Another cheering influence was a late Liverpool cable asserting that England would need two hundred million bushels of wheat from the United States before July.

Corn rallied with wheat and owing to predictions of a shipping demand from the Canadian northwest. Country offerings were not large. Belated covering by December shorts was chiefly responsible for the firmness of oats.

The bulk of the trade was local.

Chicago Livestock Market

HOGS
Receipts, 32,000.
Market, firm, 10 to 15c higher.
Bulk of sales ..... $7.10@7.30
Light ..... 6.85@7.30
Mixed ..... 6.90@7.35
Heavy ..... 6.90@7.35
Rough ..... 6.90@7.05
Pigs ..... 5.50@7.30

CATTLE
Receipts, 5,500.
Market, firm.
Native steers ..... $5.50@9.85
Western ..... 5.00@7.80
Cows and heifers .... 3.00@8.10
Calves ..... 7.50@10.00

SHEEP
Receipts, 10,000.
Market, strong.
Sheep ..... $5.90@6.80
Yearlings ..... 6.90@8.00
Lambs ..... 7.00@8.85

St. Louis Livestock Market

HOGS
Receipts, 8,500.
Market, 10 to 15c higher.
Pigs and lights ..... $6.00@7.35
Mixed and butchers .. 7.15@7.40
Good heavy ..... 7.25@7.40

CATTLE
Receipts, 2,000.
Market steady to 10c higher.
Native beef steers ... $7.50@10.00
Cows and heifers .... 7.00@7.95

SHEEP
Receipts, 1,700.
Market, steady.
Native muttons ..... $4.75@5.75
Lambs ..... 8.25@8.85
Yearlings ..... 7.25@7.80

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	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—				
Dec.	$1.27	$1.28⅞	$1.26½	
May	1.29	1.30¾	1.28¾	1.29⅝
July	1.19	1.19½	1.18	1.18⅝
Corn—				
Dec.	.67¼	.67⅜	.66¾	.67⅛
May	.73¾	.73⅞	.72¾	.73⅜
July	.74¼	.74⅝	.73¾	.74½
Oats—				
Dec.	.48⅝	.49¾	.48⅝	.49¾
May	.53½	.54	.53¾	.53¾
Pork—				
Jan.	18.62½	18.62½	18.57½	18.62½
July	19.22½	19.30	19.17½	19.27½
Lard—				
Jan.	10.37½	10.50	10.37½	10.50
July	10.62½	10.75	10.62½	10.72½
Ribs—				
Jan.	10.12½	10.17½	10.10	10.15
July	10.50	10.57½	10.50	10.55

CHICAGO CASH GRAIN MARKET.

Wheat—No. 2 red, $1.26¼@1.27¾; No. 3 red, $1.25¾@1.27; No. 2 hard winter, $1.26¼@1.27⅝; No. 3 hard winter, $1.25¼@1.27.

Corn—No. 2 mixed, 67⅛@68c; No. 3 mixed, 67@67½c; No. 4 mixed, 66½c; No. 2 white, 68½c; No. 3 white, 67¾@68¾c; No. 2 yellow, 68@68½c; No. 3 yellow, 67@67¾c; No. 4 yellow, 66¾@67c.

Oats—No. 2 white, 50¾@51c; No. 3 white 49½@49¾c; No. 4 white 49@49½c; standard 50½@50¾c.

ST. LOUIS CASH GRAIN.

Wheat—No. 2 red 1.26@1.27; No. 3 red 1.25@1.25½; No. 2 hard winter 1.26½@1.27½; No. 3 hard winter 1.26@1.27.

Corn—No. 2 68¼; No. 3 67½; No. 4 67½; No. 2 white 69½; No. 3 white 68; No. 4 white 67@68; No. 2 yellow 67; No. 3 yellow 68@68½; No. 4 yellow 66½@67¾.

Oats—No. 2 49@50; No. 3 48½@49; No. 2 white 51½; No. 3 white 50@50½; No. 4 white 50; Standard 51.

Minneapolis Grain Market

Minneapolis, Dec. 31.—Wheat—Higher early; receipts 253; holiday last year.

Cash wheat—No. 1 hard, $1.27⅜; No. 1 Northern, $1.23⅝@1.26⅜; to arrive, $1.23⅝@1.26⅜; No. 2 Northern, $1.20⅜@1.24⅜; No. 3 white, $1.17⅜@1.23⅜.

Peoria Grain Market

Peoria, Dec. 31.—Corn, ¼@½c higher; No. 3 yellow, 66⅝c; No. 3 mixed, 66⅛@67c; sample, 65c.

Oats—Unchanged; No. 2 white, 49½c; standard, 49¼c; No. 3 white, 49c.

Miss Katie Kiloran of Howe street has gone to Chicago for a visit with relatives.

STOCK EXCHANGE SESSION IS SLIGHTLY MORE ACTIVE

Close of Thursday's Market Ends Dullest Year for New York 'Change Since 1878.

New York, Dec. 31.—With the close of today's stagnant market ended the dullest year on the stock exchange since 1878. Total sales of stocks for that period approximated 48,000,000 shares as compared with a little over 83,000,000 last year.

Bond transactions aggregated about $462,000,000 against a total of about $503,000,000 in 1913.

Today's session was slightly more active than that of yesterday. The movement was almost featureless, however, apart from its fairly firm undertone in leading stocks and recurrent weakness in the Gould group. Missouri Pacific falling to the lowest price in its history, with sympathetic weakness in all issues.

The short interest in the market was induced to cover more of its out-standing commitments and selling pressure relaxed, except in the isolated instances already mentioned. There was an echo of the almost forgotten Claflin failure in the sale of several lots of United Dry Goods preferred at around 35, against its July quotation of 63.

Money was in greater supply than is usual at the year's end. Loans on collateral entirely of industrials were made at four per cent for four to six months, and where the security was of higher grade this rate was shaded. Call money was far in excess of all requirements.

New York Stock List
Last Sale.

Amalgamated Copper	51¾
American Beet Sugar	33¾
American Cotton Oil	38¼
American Smelting and Ref'ng	55⅞
American Sugar Refining	103
American Tel and Tel	116½
Anaconda Mining Co.	25⅛
Atchison	93
Atlantic Coast Line	99
Baltimore and Ohio	68¾
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	84⅞
Canadia Pacific	154
Chesapeake and Ohio	40
Chicago and North Western	123
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	86¾
Colorado Fuel and Iron	20¼
Colorado and Southern	23
Delaware and Hudson	140
Denver and Rio Grande	5½
Erie	21¼
General Electric	139½
Great Northern pfd	113
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	27
Illinois Central	106
Interborough-Met	11⅜
Interborough-Met pfd	50½
Inter Harvester	88¼
Louisville and Nashville	112
Missouri Pacific	7⅝
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	8⅝
Lehigh Valley	130
National Lead	43½
New York Central	84⅜
Norfolk and Western	99
Northern Pacific	99⅞
Pennsylvania	104½
People's Gas	116
Pullman Palace Car	151
Reading	143½
Rock Island Co.	½
Rock Island Co. pfd	1½
Southern Pacific	82
Southern Railway	14
Union Pacific	116
United States Steel	49¾
United States Steel pfd	104½
Wabash	½
Western Union	57¾
New Haven	55

New York Bond List.

U. S. ref. 2's registered	97
U. S. ref. 2's coupon	97
U. S. 3's registered	100¼
U. S. 3's coupon	101
U. S. 4's registered	109½
U. S 4's coupon	109¼
Panama 3's coupon	99½

New York Money Market

New York, Dec. 31.—Mercantile paper, 4@4½c; sterling exchange, easy; sixty day bills, 4.82; for cables, 4.86⅛15; for demand, 4.85.25; bar silver, 48⅝c; Mexican dollars, 37¾c.

Time loans easy; sixty and ninety days, 3½@4c; six months, 3¾@4c.

Call money steady; high, 3c; low, 2½c; ruling rate, 3c; last loan, 3c; closing bid, 2½c; offered at 3c.

New York Grain Market

New York, Dec. 31.—Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red, $1.35 and No. 2 hard, $1.35 all rail cif track export; No. 1 Northern Duluth, $1.-36½ and No. 1 Northern Manitoba, $1.38¾ cif Buffalo.

Futures, firm; May, $1.37⅝.

Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 yellow, 77¼ cif to arrive; Argentine, 73s nominal.

Oats—Spot dull.

HOME MARKET

Commission men pay

Hens	9
Spring chickens	10
Old roosters	6c
Ducks	9
Geese	8
Guineas	25
Turkeys	13
Fresh eggs	32
Beef hides	13c
Butter, packing stock	19c
Jacksonville Creamery Co. is paying for butter fat this week	33c

Hay and Grain.

Timothy hay, per bale	95c
Timothy hay, per ton	20.00
Clover hay, per bale	95c
Alfalfa hay, per bale	85c
Alfalfa hay, per ton	20.00
Oats straw	60
Wheat straw	40c
Corn, per bushel	75
Bran, per cwt.	1.45
Cracked corn, per cwt.	$2.00
Coarse corn meal	$2.00

Mrs. Caroline Patterson of Alexander was among the out-of-town ladies shopping in the city Thursday.



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Full Text of Note Sent to Great Britain

Washington, Dec. 31—By mutual agreement between the state department and the British foreign office, the full text of the note sent by the United States to Great Britain insisting on an early improvement in the treatment of American commerce by the British fleet was made public here tonight.

The text follows:

"The Secretary of State to the American Ambassador at Lon-Lon:

"Department of State.

"Washington, D. C., Dec. 26, '14.

"The present condition of American foreign trade resulting from the frequent seizures and detentions of American cargoes destined to neutral European ports has become so serious as to require a candid statement of the views of this government in order that the British government may be fully informed as to the attitude of the United States toward the policy which has been pursued by the British authorities during the present war.

"You will, therefore, communicate the following to His Majesty's principal secretary of state for foreign affairs, but in doing so you will assure him that it is done in the most friendly spirit and in the belief that frankness will better serve the continuance of cordial relations between the two countries than silence, which may be misconstrued into acquiescence in a course of conduct which this government cannot but consider to be an infringement upon the rights of American citizens.

"The government of the United States has viewed with growing concern the large number of vessels laden with American goods destined to neutral ports in Europe, which have been seized on the high seas, taken into British ports and detained sometimes for weeks by the British authorities. During the early days of the war this government assumed that the policy adopted by the British government was due to the unexpected outbreak of hostilities and the necessity of immediate action to prevent contraband from reaching the enemy. For this reason it was not disposed to judge this policy harshly or protest it vigorously, although it was manifestly very injurious to American trade with the neutral countries of Europe. This government relying confidently upon the high regard which Great Britain has so often exhibited in the past for the rights of other nations, confidently awaited amendment of a course of action which denied to neutral commerce the freedom to which it was entitled by the law of nations.

"This expectation seemed to be rendered the more assured by the statement of the foreign office early in November that the British government were satisfied with guarantees offered by the Norwegian, Swedish and Danish governments as to non-exportation of contraband goods when consigned to named persons in the territories of those governments and that orders had been given to the British fleet and customs authorities to restrict interference with neutral vessels carrying such cargoes so consigned to verification of ship's papers and cargoes.

"It is therefore, a matter of deep regret that, though nearly five months have passed since the war began, the British government have not materially changed their policy and do not treat less rigorously ships and cargoes passing between neutral ports in the peaceful pursuit of lawful commerce, which belligerents should protect rather than interrupt.

"The greater freedom from detention and seizure which was confidently expected to result from consigning shipments to definite consignees rather than 'to order', is still awaited.

"It is needless to point out to His Majesty's government usually the champion of the freedom of the seas and the rights of trade, that peace, not war, is the normal relation between nations and that the commerce between countries which are not belligerents should not be interferred with by those at war unless such interference is manifestly an imperative necessity to protect their national safety and then only to the extent that it is a necessity. It is with no lack of appreciation of the momentous nature of the present striggle, in which Great Britain is engaged, and with no selfish desire to gain undue commercial advantage that this government is reluctantly forced to the conclusion that the present policy of His Majesty's government toward neutral ships and cargoes exceeds the manifest necessity of a belligerent and constitutes restrictions upon the rights of American citizens on the high seas which are not justified by the rules of international law or required under the principle of self preservation.

"The government of the United States does not intend at this time to discuss the propriety of including certain articles in the lists of absolute and conditional contraband, which have been proclaimed by His Majesty. Open to objection as some of these seem to this government, the chief ground of present complaint is the treatment of cargoes of both classes of articles when bound to neutral ports.

"Articles listed as absolute contraband, shipped from the United States and consigned to neutral countries, have been seized and detained on the ground that the countries to which they were destined have not prohibited the exportation of such articles. Unwarranted as such detentions are, in the opinion of this government, American exporters are further perplexed by the apparent indecision of the British authorities in applying their own rules to neutral cargoes. For example, a shipment of copper from this country to a specified consignee in Sweden was detained because, as was stated by Great Britain, Sweden had placed no embargo on copper. On the other hand, Italy not only prohibited the export of copper, but, as this government is informed, put in force a decree that shipments to Italian consignees or 'to order' which arrive in ports of Italy cannot be exported or transshipped. The only exception Italy makes is of copper which passes through that country in transit to another country. In spite of these decrees, however, the British foreign office has thus far declined to affirm that copper shipments consigned to Italy will not be molested on the high seas.

"Seizures are so numerous and delays so prolonged that exporters are afraid to send their copper to Italy, steamship lines decline to accept it and insurers refuse to issue policies upon it. In a word the legitimate trade is being greatly impaired by uncertainty of the treatment it may expect at the hands of the British authorities.

"We feel we are abundantly justified in asking for information as to the manner in which the British government proposes to carry out the policy which they have adopted, in order that we may determine the steps necessary to protect our citizens, engaged in foreign trade in their rights and from the serious losses to which they are liable through ignorance of the hazards to which their cargoes are exposed.

"In the case of conditional contraband the policy of Great Britain appears to this government to be equally unjustified by the established rules of international conduct. As evidence of this, attention is directed to the fact that a number of American cargoes which have been seized consist of foodstuffs and other articles of common use in all countries which are admittedly contraband.

"In spite of the presumption of innocent use because destined to neutral territory the British authorities made these seizures and detentions without, so far as we are informed, being in possesssion of facts which warranted a reasonable belief that the shipments had in realty a belligerent destination as that term is used in international law. Mere suspicion is not evidence and doubts should be resolved in favor of neutral commerce, not against it. The effect upon trade in these articles between neutral nations resulting from interrupted voyages and detained cargoes is not entirely cured by reimbursement of the owners for the damages which they have suffered, after investigation has failed to establish an enemy destination. The injury is to American commerce with neutral countries as a whole through the hazard of the enterprise and the repeated diversion of goods from established markets.

"It also appears that cargoes of this character have been seized by the British authorities because of a belief that, though not originally so intended by the shippers, they will ultimately reach the territory of the enemies of Great Britain. Yet this belief is frequently reduced to a mere fear in view of the embargoes which have been decreed by the neutral countries to which they are destined, on the articles composing the cargoes.

"That a consignment 'to order' of articles listed as conditional contraband and shipped to a neutral port raises a legal presumption of enemy destination appears to be directly contrary to the doctrines previously held by Great Britain and thus stated by Lord Salisbury during the South African war:

"'Food stuffs, though having a hostile destination, can be considered as contraband of war only if they are for the enemy forces. It is not sufficient that they are capable of being so used; it must be shown that this was in fact their destination at the time of their seizure.'

"With this statement as to conditional contraband the views of this government are in entire accord and upon this historic doctrine consistently maintained by Great Britain when a belligerent as well as a neutral, American shippers are entitled to rely.

"The government of the United States readily admits the full right of a belligerent to visit and search on the high seas the vessels of American citizens or other neutral vessels carrying American goods and to detain them 'where there is sufficient evidence to justify a belief that contraband articles are in their cargoes;' but His Majesty's government judging by their own experience in the past must realize that this government cannot without protest permit American ships or American cargoes to be taken into British ports and there detained for the purpose of searching generally for evidence of contraband or upon presumptions created by special enactments which are clearly at variance with international law and practice.

"This government believes and earnestly hopes His Majesty's government will come to the same belief, that a course of conduct more in conformity with the rules of international usage which Great Britain has strongly sanctioned for many years, will in the end better serve the interests of belligerents as well as those of neutrals.

"Not only is the situation a critical one to the commercial interests of the United States, but many of the great industries of this country are suffering because their products are denied long established markets in European countries, which tho neutral are continguous to nations at war. Producers and exporters, steamship and insurance, are pressing and not without reason for relief from the menace to trans-Atlantic trade which is gradually but surely destroying their business and threatening them with financial disaster.

"The government of the United States still relying upon the deep sense of justice of the British nation, which has been so often manifested in the inter-course between the two countries during so many years of uninterrupted friendship, expresses confidently the hope that His Majesty's government will realize the obstacles and difficulties which their present policy has placed in the way of commerce between the United States and the neutral countries of Europe and will instruct its officials to refrain from all unnecessary interference with the freedom of trade between nations which are sufferers, though not participants in the present conflict; and will in their treatment of neutral ships and cargoes conform more closely to those rules governing the maritime relations between belligerents and neutrals, which have received the sanction of the civilized world and which Great Britain has in other wars so strongly and successfully advocated.

"In conclusion it should be impressed upon His Majesty's government that the present condition of American trade with the neutral European countries is such that if it does not improve it may arouse a feeling contrary to that which has so long existed between the American and British peoples. Already it is becoming more and more the subject of public criticism and complaint. There is an increasing belief doubtless not entirely unjustified that the present British policy toward American trade is responsible for the depression in certain industries which depend upon European markets. The attention of the British is called to this possible result of their present policy to show how widespread the effect is upon the industrial life of the United States and to emphasize the importance of removing the cause of complaint."

SUNDAY AFTERNOON AT TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

For the month of January, February and March there has been arranged at Trinity church a program of services for the young people, which will be full of profit and entertainment as well. A cordial invitation is extended. All children and boys enrolled during this period are eligible for membership in the Rector's Footguards, an organization "for fun, instruction and profit." The following special arrangement for next Sunday afternoon will be followed substantially during the thirteen weeks ensuing:

2:30. Meeting of the school.
2:45. Enrollment of all boys and girls who will enlist for thirteen weeks. Organization of "Willing Workers" (girls) and "Rector's Footguards" (boys).
3:00. Lessons.
3:30. Awarding of prizes to all in attendance.
3:45. Dismissal of school. Line up for church, if desired by school.
4:00. Evening service.
4:35. Bible talks. Abraham.
4:45. Dismissal.
5:00. Prizes for church attendance.

HARVARD CLASSICS.

The Harvard classics have been shelved together at Public Library for anyone who may be interested in mastering the series or choosing his way through it. Most of the books will require close attention in reading and some determination will be needed to read them all. A brief statement as to the purpose and scope of the selection, taken from an article by Dr. Eliot published in Collier's Weekly in 1910, follows:

"My purpose in selecting the Harvard classics was to provide the literary materials from which a careful and persistent reader might gain a fair view of the progress of man, observing, recording, inventing and imagining from the earliest historical times to the close of the nineteenth century."

Some suggestions as to how to go about reading the classics are given in the Collier article which is shelved with the books.

SHOW SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

On another page of this issue are printed the condensed and comparative statements of the condition of the Ayers' National Bank, for the year just closed, and the figures contained therein show that 1914 has been a most successful year for this institution. Through the practice of sound banking principles the officers of this bank have built up one of the largest and most substantial banking houses in central Illinois and have justly earned the success of the past year. A study of the two statements on page 8 will be well worth while.

BOY GREAT MARKSMAN.

Chris Henze of North Church street is much pleased to hear of the remarkable marksmanship displayed by his grandson, Carl Henze, who is living at the home of his father, George Henze in the state of Washington. The lad's father in a letter recently received here, states that his son attended a shooting match near his home in Carson, where the boy was the winner of the prizes offered, over 56 competitors, and at another match he was winner of the first prize for target shooting. Not long ago while out in the mountains with four other hunters the boy brought down the only deer which was seen, shooting it as it ran. Pretty good for a boy of thirteen years

Misses Rose and Elizabeth Zellar entertained a company of friends at cards at their home south of Alexander Thursday evening. A very delightful time was spent and during the hours refreshments were served.

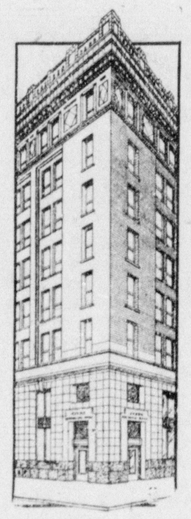
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Call and let Mr. J. J. Kelly, our Savings Teller, explain the plan to you.

FORCED SHOE SALE!

I am called on at this time for $1500 by several shoe houses with which I deal. Unjust as this call for money is at this time, I must raise it for them in fifteen days time or forever close my doors: To raise this money I have decided to place my entire stock on sale at the mercy of the buying public

AT COST!

AND SOME EVEN LESS THAN COST

Starting This Morning, Dec. 31st, Promptly at 7 o'clock and continuing until Saturday evening, Jan. 16th, at 10:30. Remember, it's the early bird that catches the worm, so come in early.

Below are only a few of the wonderful bargains to be found. Seeing is believing. Come in.

LADIES'

$3.50 values in Patents and Dulls, Lace and Buttons, at
$2.85
All Short Vamps.

$3.00 values in Patents and Dulls, Lace and Buttons, at
$2.40
Classy Styles.

$2.50 value in Patents and Dulls, Cloth Tops and Kid Tops at only
$2.00

Ladies' Odds and Ends in Lace Shoes, only at
$1.50
Some formerly sold as high as $3.50.

MEN'S

All Superior $5.00 and $6.00 grades at—
$2.90
Including Tans and Blacks, Lace and Buttons.

Rubber Boots, regular $3.50, $4.00 and $4.50 grade, at
$2.50 and $3

Superior Gun Metal Button, $4.00 grade, at
$2.65

Men's High-top Boots in tans, 12, 14, 16 and 18 in tops, at a great sacrifice. See these.

Boys' Shoes, $2.50 values at $1.90. $2.00 values at $1.50
Girls' and Children's Shoes Cut to Cost.

Positively No Goods on Approval

A. SMITH

Popular Price East State St. Shoe Man

Miss Iva Bishop and Miss Margaret Middlecamp will go this morning to Atwater for a visit of several days with the sister of the former, Mrs. Wilbert Ring.

Our Policy

Our business is established on a quality basis. It has grown because we act on the belief that we can maintain our position in the trade just so long as we make better

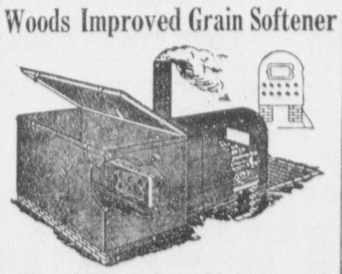
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than our competitors.

Mollenbrok & McCullough
Duncan Building.

CATTLE FEEDERS

Woods Improved Grain Softener



Pat. Applied for 100 bu. size.

The Woods improved Grain Softener will add 100 per cent to the value of No. 2 corn for feeding cattle. It will add 50 per cent to feed for hogs and horses, and supplies the very feed to mix with silage for milk cows. If any one wishes these statements proven, I will furnish them a plant on six months trial, and if it proves my claims they help me sell my plants to their neighbors. If it fails I will refund all money paid to me for said plant. All plants are sold at $8.00 per bu., cob measure, and guaranteed to do all I claim if used according to my directions.

We find by putting soda in the corn when cooking it helps make the corn more digestible enough to pay for the soda, and keeps the hogs in a healthy condition. We also make all the charcoal we need by closing the draft so it can not get air, when we have a bed of live coals. Yours for producing more beef and pork.

CHAS. WOOD, R. F. D. No.6

RARE BARGAINS OFFERED

IN CITY REAL ESTATE

Read the Following Descriptions. They May be Just What You Want.

The beautiful residence property at the end of West Lafayette avenue pavement, with two acres of ground just outside of the city limits.

The vacant residence corner of Webster and Lafayette avenue. Lot 88x188. The most beautiful corner in Jacksonville.

Two of the best residence lots facing Webster avenue, right off the corner of Lafayette avenue. Lots 55x160. Come and see our plot for this corner.

The terms on all the above properties are right for the buyer.

Jeffrey Cleary is going to be here for several days and will glad talk to you about any of the above properties.

Read This Space Each Day

Both phones, 760; Office 441 Ayers Bank Bldg.

JEFFREY CLEARY & CO

Soil Chemists and Dealers in High Real Estate

11th ANNUAL

Grab Sale!

TODAY

and

TOMORROW

and continues until all our Left-Over Holiday Goods are gone.

25c

may get you that $12.00 manicure set or the $10 Ivory Toilet Set.

Guaranteed 25c worth for every quarter you spend. No medicines.

Try It Once.

Armstrong's

DRUG STORE

THE QUALITY STORE

Southwest Corner Square.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

You Can Depend on This

COVERLY'S

Meat

and

Groceries

are the kind

that bring

Customers Back.

Phone Today

No. 319

FUNERALS

Dodge.

Funeral services for George O. Dodge, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Dodge, were held at the Church of Our Savior Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock in charge of Rev. Father Smith of Franklin. Interment was made in Calvary cemetery.

WITH THE SICK

H. J. Kennedy of East Morton avenue is confined to his home by illness.

Mrs. A. R. Myrick of North East street, has been taken to Passavant hospital for nursing.

Mrs. Thomas Paschall of the vicinity of Markham Station, is reported as convalescing after a severe illness.

Miss Marie Corrington is ill with tonsilitis at her home on Pine street.

SOAP SPECIALS

FOR THIS WEEK

6 bars Kirk's white flake soap 25c
6 bars White Flyer for 25c
7 bars Lenox soap 25c
7 bars Lautz Gloss soap 25c
6 bars Sunny Monday soap ...25c

RAISIN SPECIALS

2 lbs. loose Raisins 25c
2 lbs. Package Raisins, 16 oz. 25c
2 lbs. Currents, 16 oz, ...25c
12 oz. package Raisins 10c
12 oz. package Currants 10c

Peaches in bulk, per lb. 10c
Prunes, 2 lbs. for 25c
3 cans Corn 25c
3 cans Peas 25c
3 lbs. Kidney Beans 25c
3 large Cans Milk 25c
6 small Cans Milk 25c
Bulk Kraut, per gal. 25c
Potatoes, per bu. 65c
Grimes Golden Apples, per pk. .35c
Fresh Country Butter, per lb. ..30c

AT

Shanahan & Shanahan's

237 E. STATE ST.

Ill. 262 —Both Phones— Bell 573

READ THIS

The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder trouble, removes gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularity and the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder troubles in children. It not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of $1.00. One small bottle as two months treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for Illinois testimonials. Dr. W. E. Hall, 1925 Olive street, St. Louis, Mo., Sold by druggists—Ads.

SUIT AGAINST EAST ST. LOUIS YARDS FILED

E. E. Henry of Woodson Causes Illinois Attorney General to Ask Ouster of Firm From Illinois.

Belleville, Ill., Dec. 31.—A suit charging the National Stock Yards of East St. Louis with being a trust in restraint of trade was filed in the circuit court here today by the attorney general of Illinois.

The purpose of the suit is the ouster of the National Stock Yards company from the state and the court is asked to require the company to show cause why it should not be thus penalized on the ground that it has maintained a monopoly. A quo-warranto writ was made returnable January 11.

Accompanying the request for a writ was a petition filed with Attorney General Lucey by Elbert E. Henry of Woodson. Mr. Henry, in his petition, charges that the St. Louis Live Stock exchange controls all the business in the territory tributary to the National Stock Yards, and that all commission men desiring to do business at the yards must be members of the exchange, which, it is charged, completely dominates the trade.

Mr. Henry also charged that he once had a lucrative business at the stock yards, but that he was blacklisted by the St. Louis Live Stock exchange and his business made worthless.

Mr. Henry now has a civil suit for $50,000 damages pending against the exchange.

The National Stock Yards were organized in 1875 and its receipts last year came from forty-two states. The bulk of the receipts, however, came from Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas and Kentucky, though heavy shipments were sent to East St. Louis from Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Iowa, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Georgia, Alabama and Florida.

CITY AND COUNTY

Roy Anderson and William Hennessy will leave this morning for a visit with friends in East St. Louis.

Miss Golda Hester is spending a few days with friends in Manchester.

Miss Josephine Lucas expected to leave today for a visit of several days in Chicago.

Mrs. Laura Gaitens returned Thursday from a visit in Springfield.

Miss Mary and Frances Gorman are spending the day with Waverly friends.

John Hagel is a business visitor in Chicago.

Miss Lillian Harvey of South Jacksonville will leave this morning for Versailles to make a visit of several days.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

John A. Rhea to C. T. Utterback, warranty deed, part se nw 11-13-8. $1,850.

Esther W. Davis to Harriet Pyles, deed, west half lot 8 Gallagher and Edgmon's addition to Jacksonville. $1,200.

Elizabeth B. Baldwin to Charles T. Mackness, warranty deed, lot one addition called Sander's place, Jacksonville. $5,500.

WILL OBSERVE NEW YEAR'S.

Congress Will Take But One Day Holiday Owing to Business.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Congress will observe New Year's Day tomorrow but both houses declined to take a longer holiday than one day owing to the press of business. The house adjourned tonight until noon Saturday when debate will be resumed on the Indian appropriation bill. The senate recessed until 11 o'clock Saturday, when the immigration bill will come up again.

PROBATE COURT NEWS.

In the matter of Mary C. and Ellen Jspon. Report approved.

In the matter of Opal and Louise Bell. Petition for letters of guardianship allowed. Bond fixed at $800 and approved as filed. Letters to issue to O. F. Buffe.

HALF A THOUSAND GIVEN TO BLIND

LOCAL STATE SCHOOL REMEMBERED BY MAX KUNSTADTER.

Superintendent H. C. Montgomery Receives Check and Board of Administration Suggests Money Be Used For Needy Students.

Through a bequest of the late Max Kunstadter of Chicago, the sum of $500 has been left to the State School for the Blind of this city. Superintendent H. C. Montgomery received the check some three weeks ago, from A. Kunstadter, a brother of the deceased and executor of his will. In the letter Mr. Kunstadter said that his brother has requested that the money be used for needy pupils at the school, needy such as he used to be, but did not state in what way.

Supt. Montgomery took up the matter with the State Board of Administration and it was referred to a committee composed of Fred J. Kern and F. D. Whipp. They suggested that the money be put in the hands of a trust company and that the interest be used for the benefit of poor pupils. They also recommended that the managing officer of the Blind furnish the names of poor children in the school, who are not in a position to receive financial aid from their relatives. The recommendations were accepted by the Board of Administration and Supt. Montgomery notified of their action in the matter.

Kunstadter Bros. is the name of a Chicago firm that deals in jewelry, belts, boys fancy articles, dry goods, novelties, etc. It is not known whether the late Mr. Kunstadter was at one time a student of the Blind or in what manner he happened to be interested in the institution.

ANNUAL ROLL CALL AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Calling of Roster of Membership and Social Hour Preliminaries to Watch Night Service.

New Year's eve was observed by the members of First Baptist church with appropriate watch night exercises preceded by a social hour in the parlors and the calling of the roll in the main auditorium. The Rev. Percy W. Stephens, pastor of the church, presided and after music by the male quartet and the church quartet, with hymns by the congregation, George Busey, clerk of the church, read the roster of members, each one present answering with scripture. A testimony meeting formed a part of the services, preceding the midnight hour.

During the social hour light refreshments were served by members of the Young Ladies' Aid society. The committee included Carrie Spires, Harriet Story, Eva Mae Breitweiser, Mrs. Mary Hart, Sylva Curtis, Maitie Ator, Lelia Reese, Mrs. W. T. Spires and Mrs. Percy W. Stephens. Miss Elizabeth Long, society president, was general chairman.

First basketball game of season, J. H. S. vs. Hillsboro, new gym, at 7:30 Friday. 25 cents.

STATE MINE INSPECTORS.

Springfield, Ills., Dec 31—A number of changes of state mine inspectors follows the appointment a week ago of J. E. Jones, of Danville, as inspector of the fifth district. J. W. Stark of Georgetown who has been located in the fifth district has been sent to the eleventh.

George L. Morgan of Benton, who has been inspector of the eleventh district goes to the third where Patrick Hogan of Farmington has resigned.

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TO RAISE QUARANTINE.

The small-pox patient who is confined in the county jail, is reported as doing nicely, and it is thought the quarantine will be raised in a few days.

PAY OFF $500 PLEDGE.

Members of the Willing Workers of the Alexander M. E. church Thursday paid off the last of their pledge of $500 toward the new church, which was made on the day that the church was dedicated.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following letters remain unclaimed in the Post Office at Jacksonville, Illinois for the week ending December 29, 1914.

Averys, Mrs. William.
Balsher, Chas. F.
Catlin, Mrs. Gus.
Deamont, R. L.
Decker, John E.
Douglas, B. J.
Evans, Bud.
Ingram, C. H.
Joshnson, C. H.
Kochne, Miss Minnie.
Lies, Mrs. Liddie.
McHenry, John.
McLester, A. C.
Mayer, Jno., Jr.
Morrison, M. E.
Myers, Mrs. Laura.
Neil, Mrs. O. T.
No Tarnish Co.
Prechtel, G. Gardener.
Rogers, O. T.
Smith, Mrs. L. L.
Smith, Miss Pearl.
Williams, Mrs. Alice.
Wood, M. W.

Parties calling for these letters must say, "Advertised," give date of list and pay one cent each postage due.

Ralph I. Dunlap, Postmaster.

This Store is the Logical Place to Get Real Service.

You can place the fullest dependence on this store's every promise. Especially during the snowy period you will find our delivery service adequate to meet the severest test.

Sensational Sale of Fine Furs

These furs are the embodiment of all that's good and in addition possess a tone of elegance and refinement for the lady of fashion. Fur sales have been lagging for same time on account of unseasonable weather. However, the furs are here and **must be sold.**

A Holiday Continuance of our Great Coat Sale

Excellent coats in all the prevailing styles — Matelasse, Eponge, Chinchillas, Worsteds, Zibelines, Checks, Plaids, Bayadere Stripes. A great variety of styles. You are sure to find the very coat you have been looking for at the **unequalled values** we offer during this sale.

C. J. DEPPE & CO.

"Known for Ready-to-Wear."

Big Year End Clearance Sale

Included in this sale are elegant suits of fine broadcloths trimmed with fur; jaunty short styles which have been so much in demand; also the latest military models handsomely lined with silk. Splendid values in serges in all the wanted colors. Your choice while they last at

Reduced Prices

Dependable Skirts at Rock Bottom Prices

Most important from the fact that the showing is superb and that every new style creation is featured. We have arranged one lot comprising splendid flare-tunic and basque models, also straight pleated effects and combinations of silk and cloth, voile skirts with velvet basque top effects, and the new silk chudda cloths. These skirts come mostly in the staple blues and blacks.

Values up to $10. Your choice while they last $4.98.

A Merry Christmas AND A Happy New Year

To Our Many Friends and Patrons Is the Sincere Wish of

Johnson, Hackett & Guthrie,

East Side Square, JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

JANUARY

Clearance and Muslin Sale

Combined, begins Tomorrow Morning and continues Through the Entire Month of January,

to reduce our $25,000 stock to its lowest point preparatory to our annual inventory Feb. 1st next. This will be the greatest bargain giving sales in the history of this store. Dress Goods, Silks, Cotton Wash Goods, Outing Flannels, Percales, Dress and Apron Ginghams, Table Linens, Napkins, Toweling, Underwear, Hosiery, Corsets, ladies' Suits, Coats for ladies, misses and children, Shirt Waists, Dress Skirts, Sweater Coats, Furs and Trimmed Hats. All these and many more lines have been cut to cost and less to reduce this $25,000 stock by Feb. 1st.

Come prepared to save money on every item you buy. Don't forget your muslin all through this January sale. Always cash.

FLORETH COMPANY

HILLERBY'S

DRY GOODS STORE

1915

WE TAKE this opportunity to thank you and every one of our customers for their patronage through the year just passed—without your hearty support we could do nothing. We have tried to be of service if we have'nt succeeded forgive us and tell us how to do it better. Modern business is essentially human service today. We wish you a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

SAFEST PLACE TO TRADE

To Friends and Patrons

WE EXTEND
THE HEARTIEST GREETINGS
OF THE SEASON

HOPPER & SON

CHARLES OLINGER IS INJURED BY FALL ON ICE

Franklin Merchant Thrown From Wagon and Rendered Unconscious By Fall.

Charles Olinger, one of Franklin's well known merchants, was severely injured Thursday forenoon at 10:30 o'clock when he was thrown from a wagon and rendered unconscious by the blow.

Mr. Olinger was driving his delivery wagon and was attempting to catch the morning train. When the wagon reached a corner it skidded and turned over, throwing the occupant violently to the ground. He was carried to his store in an unconscious condition and Dr. J. B. Perkins was summoned. Mr. Olinger was severely bruised about the shoulders and head, although no bones were found broken. It was three quarters of an hour before he regained consciousness. Late last night he was resting easier but it will take a longer time to know his true condition.

Car choice Pea Green Alfalfa Hay. Every bale guaranteed sound and sweet. Special price in ton lots out of car. J. H. Cain & Sons.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to the many friends who were so kind to us during our recent bereavement, also for the many beautiful flowers.

J. C. Henderson and family, Arcadia, Ill.

Start the New Year right by having your shoes repaired at Underwood's.

Chase & Sanborn's HIGH GRADE COFFEE

Every pound of this excellent Coffee measures up to the high Chase & Sanborn standard.

We are going to "push" this coffee especially during the next few weeks and we know every purchaser will have "coffee satisfaction."

A. R. TAYLOR
"Always a Good Place to Trade."

AT SCOTT'S THEATRE TODAY

"Wild Beasts at Large" or "When the Menagerie Broke Loose" is the title of a two reel feature which Manager Scott has scheduled for his theatre today. The first part shows the wreck of the train carrying all the wild animals of the circus, shows two tigers invade the home of Mr. and Mrs. Seeley, who forbade their son Paul to attend the circus; monkeys swarm the fruit store of Patricio and bears wreck a grocery.

In the second part three lions eat all of the meat in a butcher shop, monkeys besiege the inhabitants of a house, boa-constrictors are found outside the bar-room of a saloon and leopards invade a barber shop. When Mr. and Mrs. Seeley return to their home after all of the animals are captured, they both collapse on hearing a tigerish roar out side the door. They find Paul in the bed room in a tiger skin and Mr. Seeley solaced himself by applying his slipper where Paul will feel it most. The picture is full of laughter from start to finish.

WILL TAKE FOURTH DEGREE.

Officers of Jacksonville Council No. 868, Knights of Columbus, have received notification of a special session of the Peoria Council Feb. 7, at which will be exemplified the fourth degree. A number from here are planning to take the work in this degree and the local order bids fair to be well represented. The degree will be exemplified by J. P. Luthringer of Peoria, master of the fourth degree, Southern Illinois district.

WAS PRESENTED RING.

A pleasing part of the exercises in connection with the initiation of candidates into Urania lodge No. 243 Wednesday night was the presentation of a handsome I. O. O. F. signet ring to George Tandy who took the work. The gift was from his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Tandy, and the presentation speech, was made by W. H. Pease, grand master.

AUCTION.

To make room for spring goods will sell surplus stock of closed storm buggies Saturday, Jan. 2, at 1 p. m. Norman Broadwell,
345 W. College Ave.

TRADES AND LABOR ASSEMBLY.

Meeting tonight. Important. Delegates are urged to be present.
Frank Muehlhausen, Pres.

BIRTH RECORD.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Newsom of South Clay avenue, Wednesday, a son.

PROMINENT PHYSICIAN DIES IN PITTSFIELD

Dr. C. H. Doss, Former Resident of Morgan County, Answers Final Summons.

Dr. C. H. Doss, a prominent physician residing in Pittsfield, died recently at his home after an illness of two weeks. Dr. Doss was born in Simpson county, Kentucky, Feb. 19,1834. He was a son of Joel Burgess Doss, a minister of the Baptist church, and also a physician. Dr. Doss lived near Hopkinsville, Ky. and served an apprenticeship in the milling business.

He, at the age of twenty years, came to Morgan county and for five years was superintendent of the flour mill at Waverly. In the year 1859 he went to Carrollton and read medicine in the office of Dr A. W. Bowman, an electric physician. He later attended the Electrical Medical school at Cincinnati, O., and began the practice of his profession in Fayette, Greene county, in May, 1862, and remained there for five years, when he took up his abode in Manchester, and remained there until 1876 when he removed to Pittsfield where he has since resided and has been engaged in active practice until his death.

Dr. Doss was married in 1856 to Miss Margaret Thresher, daughter of J. M. Thresher of Morgan county. He was a devoted member of the Christian denomination and was connected with the Masons, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and Ancient Order of United Workmen. He is survived by his second wife and three sons, all of them physicians, and four daughters.

Funeral services were held in Pittsfield and interment made in the cemetery adjoining the city.

Special meeting of Harmony Lodge No. 3, A. F. & A. M., this evening at 7:30. Work.
Julius G. Strawn,
John R. Phillips, Secy. W. M.

SUSTAINS FRACTURED LEG.

S. W. Myers, who resides two miles northeast of Arenzville, was brought to Passavant hospital Thursday afternoon by Dr. J. M. Swope of Arenzville. Mr. Myers sustained a fracture of his right leg Wednesday afternoon as the result of being kicked by a horse.

DR. EDWARD DUNCAN ILL.

Dr. Edward Duncan of East State street, who is suffering with a severe attack of pneumonia was a little improved Thursday. Dr. Duncan is one of the oldest dentist of Morgan county and a veteran of the Civil war.

BANCROFT AND KING GREENLEAF AGENCY

BUSINESS TRANSFER TAKES PLACE IN INSURANCE CIRCLES.

New Year Marks Passing of Greenleaf, Rutledge and Gates Agency —Greenleaf Estate Retains Interest in New Firm—All Branches of Insurance Represented at 305 Ayers Bank Building.

The Greenleaf, Rutledge & Gates Insurance Agency, owned and conducted by the estate of E. S. Greenleaf, has been transferred to Bancroft & King under an agreement of purchase consummated with M. E. Greenleaf and Martha L. Greenleaf, executors. Beginning with January 1st, 1915, the business of the Greenleaf Agency will be conducted from the office of Bancroft & King, 305 Ayers Bank Building, under the name of Bancroft & King-Greenleaf Insurance Agency, the estate of E. S. Greenleaf retaining an interest in the business transferred.

Messrs. Bancroft & King will continue the life, accident and health surety and fidelity bond, automobile, liability and other connections they have had heretofore.

We take this occasion to cordially thank our insurance patrons for their patronage. It has been very much appreciated. We bespeak a continuance of it with our successors to whom have been transferred the sterling and reliable companies represented for so many years by this agency.

Greenleaf, Rutledge & Gates,
Insurance Agency.

As successors to the Greenleaf, Rutledge & Gates Insurance Agency it will be our endeavor to meet the needs of the insuring public with efficient and reliable service. We respectfully solicit a continuance of the patronage accorded our predecessors.

Bancroft & King-Greenleaf,
Insurance Agency.

Messrs. Bancroft and King are the representatives also of the following companies:

Federal Life.
Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation.
London Guarantee and Accident Company.
American Surety Company.
Franklin Fire.
London and Lancashire Fire.
Home Underwriters.
New York Underwriters.

By the transfer they become the representatives of the following companies:

Aetna.
Home.
Phoenix Assurance.
North British and Mercantile.
Niagara.
Equitable Fire and Marine.
Westchester.
Franklin Fire.
Norwich Union.
St. Paul Fire and Marine.
Sterling.
Fidelity and Casualty.

This list of companies makes a strong agency capable of handling insurance in all its branches.

Car choice Pea Green Alfalfa Hay. Every bale guaranteed sound and sweet. Special price in ton lots out of car. J. H. Cain & Sons.

BUNGALOW SHOOTING CASE IN COURT.

Providence, R. I., Dec. 31.—The sensational shooting up of bungalow raiders at Esmond, R. I., last week, in which four men were shot, will be unfolded in court today, when Amos Collinson and his son, John Collinson, will be arraigned on the charge of assault with intent to kill. The four men are recovering from their wounds. The bungalow shooting was the result of a row over the ownership of a bungalow. At midnight one night the Collinsons were aroused by noise in the uncompleted bungalow which was built by agreement on their land. The Collinsons claim there were noises which indicated someone was destroying the bungalow. They also claim that William Dickinson of Providence called them names, and ordered the gang with him to continue their work of tearing the building down. They claim they were defending themselves when they shot. Theodore LaMonthe is the most severely injured of the four victims.

RETURNS FROM CHICAGO.

Capt. L. P. Owen of Co. B. and Lieuts. Hunt and Russell have returned from Chicago where they attended a meeting of the Illinois National Guard. It was voted to hold the meeting in Chicago again next year. Capt. Owen will go to Springfield this morning to attend Governor Dunne's New Year's reception.

Car choice Pea Green Alfalfa Hay. Every bale guaranteed sound and sweet. Special price in ton lots out of car. J. H. Cain & Sons.

FOR THE NEW YEAR'S DINNER.

We present Nesselrode pudding, tutifruti ice cream, New York, Caramala, Chocolate, Strawberry, Vanilla and Orange Sherbert, salted almonds, Malaga grapes, bon bons and chocolates, macaroon, walnut, caramel and chocolate cakes and mince pies, the telephone number is 227. Vickery & Merrigan.

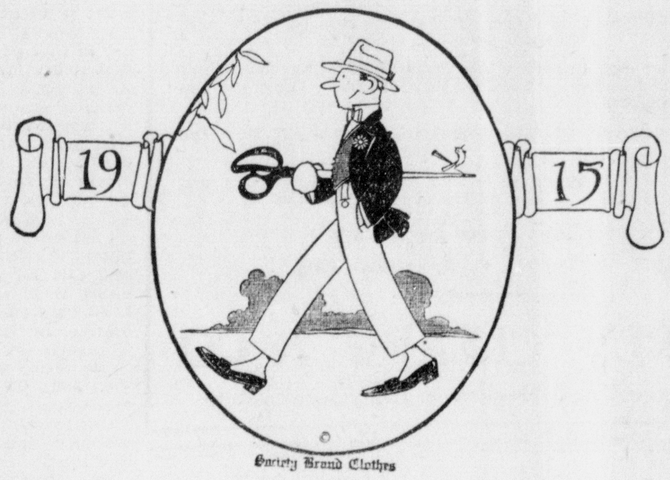
HEARS ROBIN SING.

John A. Groves of Mound avenue says he saw a robin Wednesday morning and heard him singing, but does not think it a sign of approaching spring.

A Good Building Year

Contractors predict that 1915 will be a good building year in Jacksonville. Various structures are projected and extensive repair work is planned. Be sure that we get a chance to figure on the job. If we get the business you are sure of the best lumber grown.

Crawford Lumber Co.



Society Brand Clothes

TO ALL our customers, and others whom we hope to make our customers, a Happy New Year!

We hope those who have dealt with us have done so with pleasure and profit, that the goods proved satisfactory, that everybody feels he got a full dollar's worth of value for every dollar he spent.

Our aim will be to serve you better in 1915 than in 1914. We shall try to sell better merchandise—to have you feel that only by you profiting can we profit.

MYERS BROTHERS.

WE CLOSE AT NOON TODAY

Store
Will Close at Noon
Today.

Store
Will Close at Noon
Today

Happy New Year

May it be full of health, happiness and prosperity, is the sincere wish of

ANDRE & ANDRE

The Store of Today and Tomorrow

Read This Space
for Attractive
Store News Saturday.

The Best Goods
for the Price
No Matter What the Price